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GREAT BRITAIN.

Ireland Tranquil Again -- The Insurgents Endeavoring to Leave the Island.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18--Noon.

Ireland is perfectly tranquil. A small number of rebels concealed in the woods are endeavoring to make their way to the coast, but the national troops have been so disposed that escape is thought to be impossible. Troops have been sent to Malahide, a watering place in Dublin County, Ireland, in the hope of overhauling STEPHENS, the C. O. I. R., who is reported and believed to be in that neighborhood.

History of the Fenian Outbreak in Ireland--How the Rising was Discovered and Put Down.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18--Evening.

The cause of the Fenian outbreak in the south of Ireland is yet buried in obscurity, though the telegraph lines which run through the disaffected district are again working and communication has been restored. Some say that it was caused by the arrest of the American officer, Capt. MORIARTY; while others say that this prompt arrest prevented a general rising of the Irish.

The British Government had news of the affair early on the 12th inst. An upper servant in the household of the Earl of Kenmore had received two anonymous notes stating that a rising was planned in Killarney, and that the leader would reach Killarney from Cahirciveen that night. Constables were immediately sent to intercept him. They met a wagon, on which they found MORIARTY, whom they took into custody, and upon searching his person found letters confirming the assertions in the anonymous notes.

A courier named DUGGAN was sent to Cahirciveen to warn the police. A party of rebels caught him while on his way and demanded his dispatches, which he refused to give up, and attempted escape. They fired upon him, and he was badly wounded. As far as is known at present, he is the only person who has been hurt.

The police of Cahirciveen got news of the trouble by other messengers and from several spies among the Fenians. They were strengthened by a detachment from the man-of-war *Gladiator*, which was lying off Valentia, and saved their station from attack.

One band of Fenians, 90 in number, took a horse at Kells for their leader, O'CONNOR, and another band stopped the mail on the road from Killarney to Cahirciveen, but they did no violence to any one. In fact, nowhere has life been taken or property destroyed.

The Fenian plan was to attack Killarney, capture the place, and then march to Cork. But the immediate dispatch of troops from Cork to Killarney by Gen. BATES, and the celerity of Col. HORSFORD'S movements defeated the whole plot and caused the insurgent band to disperse.

The horse of a Fenian courier was caught by the troops; a couple of swords were picked up, but no men have been captured.

O'CONNOR and his staff are said to have reached the Fenian vessel off Dingle Bay.

Thirty-four suspected persons were arrested in Dublin yesterday, and after examination five of them were retained in custody.

Head Centre MURPHY and Cols. LAWLER, HEALEY and JOHNSON have been arrested at Limerick, and important papers have been found upon their persons and in their lodgings.

The alarm caused by these events is now about over, and the excitement is rapidly subsiding.

Death of an American Naval Officer.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18.

A dispatch from Toulon announces the death, by apoplexy, of Lieut. CORNWALL, of the American iron-clad *Miantonomoh*.

Honors to Cyrus W. Field.

LIVERPOOL, Monday, Feb. 18.

The American Chamber of Commerce, of this city, have voted to present a gold medal to CYRUS W. FIELD.

Loss of the Sumter.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The famous ex-rebel steamer *Sumter* has been lost in the North Sea.

SPAIN.

The King Consort Exiled.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18.

Dispatches from Madrid state that the King Consort has been exiled from Spain on the charge of plotting for the regency of the kingdom.

THE MEXICAN EMPIRE.

The Minister of Public Justice and Other High Officials in Paris.

PARIS, Monday, Feb. 18.

PEDRO ESCUDERO Y ECHANOVE, Minister of Justice and Public Instruction, &c., &c., of MAXIMILIAN'S Government in Mexico, has arrived here. He was accompanied by other high officials of the Mexican "Empire."

GERMANY.

A New Customs' Union to be Formed.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 18.

BISMARCK will soon go to Stuttgart for the purpose of forming a new Zollverein.

A Royal Visit.

BERLIN, Monday, Feb. 18.

The King of Prussia is about to visit Dresden.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Financial.

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18--Noon.

Consols for money open at 91.

The following are the opening rates for American Securities:

Erie Railway Shares	37½
United States Five-twenties	73¾
Illinois Central Shares	ex-div. 77¾

LONDON, Monday, Feb. 18--Evening.

Consols close unchanged at 91 for Money.

American Securities were last quoted at the following rates:

United States Five-twenties	73¾
Illinois Central Shares, ex-dividend	78
Erie Shares	37½

FRANKFORT, Monday, Feb. 18--Evening.

United States Bonds closed at 77.

PARIS, Monday, Feb. 18--Evening.

American Bonds closed at 83¾.

Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Monday, Feb. 18--Noon.

The Cotton market opens quiet and steady today. The sales promise to aggregate some 7,000 bales. Middling Uplands are unchanged in price, the top quotation being 1s. 2d. ℔ lb.

LIVERPOOL, Monday, Feb. 18--Evening.

COTTON--The Cotton market continued steady and closed quiet and unchanged at 14d. for Middling Uplands, and 14¼d. for Middling Orleans. The sales to-day amount to 10,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS--The Breadstuffs market is quiet. Corn, 30s. ℔ quarter for Mixed Western.

PROVISIONS.--The market for Provisions continues unchanged. Tallow--American, 43s. 9d. ℔ cwt. Lard firm at 50s. 3d. ℔ cwt. for American.

PRODUCE.--Refined Pennsylvania and white Canada Petroleum, 1s. 5d. ℔ gallon. Cod Oil--Newfoundland, £40 ℔ 202 gallons.

MARINE NEWS.

Disasters at Sea.

LIVERPOOL, Monday, Feb. 18.

The steamship *Hecla*, from New-York, which arrived last evening, reports seeing the ship *Union*, Capt. MILLER, which left Liverpool on the 22d of January for New-Orleans. The *Union* had experienced heavy weather, lost her rudder, and suffered other damage. Intelligence has been received here of the sinking at sea of the bark *Sumter*. No particulars have come to hand.

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The New Session of Parliament--Mr. Bright at Rochdale--The Indictment against Parliament--Mr. Laird and the Alabama Claims--Curious Case--Apprehended Trouble in India--Queer Notions about Americans.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2, 1867.

As the day for the opening of Parliament draws near, the preparations for an excited session are expedited. Mr. BEALES has placed the cohorts of the Reform League of the Metropolis, under the chieftainship of Col. DICKSON, who engages to gather them around the lion of Trafalgar-square, under the Elms of the Bird-cage Walk, the favorite promenade of the Merry Monarch, in the French quarter of Leicester-square, among the lawyers of Lincolns-Inn-Fields, and the bill-brokers of Russell-square, and conduct them all safely and quietly to Agricultural Hall--the scene of so many pig and cattle shows, at Islington. Mr. BRIGHT has received an address from and made a speech to his townsmen of Rochdale. Mr. HORSMAN has vindicated his opposition to the late defeated Reform Bill at Stroud, and Mr. DOULTON at Lambeth. Mr. GLADSTONE, returning from his long visit to Italy, has made a stay of some days in Paris, where he has had a conversation with the Emperor and been entertained at two public dinners, at which he made speeches in English, though, at Florence, he was fluent in Italian, and in Athens could be eloquent in modern Greek. The Winter is gone, apparently. We are at the opening of the season.

The speech of Mr. BRIGHT is what members of Parliament and Congress call a personal explanation. He defends himself and his career against the aspersions of his enemies. This is very droll. The most eloquent, aggressive and vituperative of English statesmen, at least of the present time, tells his friends that he is a much-abused Quaker; that, to use his own words, "all the miserable writers and speakers of the miserable faction" had been set to defame him, to spoil his influence. It was another "dirty conspiracy;" and he had been held up, as he has been holding up Mr. LOWE for months past, to the contempt and hatred of those who do not agree with his political opinions.

One point in Mr. BRIGHT'S speech has excited much feeling. Speaking of India, and the change in its Government after the mutiny, he said: "But there came an event." To this remark, which looks simple enough in type, but which must have been pronounced with some significance, the meeting responded with "laughter and cheers." "There will come another event before long," said Mr. BRIGHT, a prophecy which was greeted with "loud cheers." Those who still feel the heavy blow of the Indian mutiny are outraged by this allusion and the manner in which it was received, and everybody asks what other event Mr. BRIGHT expects which can be compared to that frightful disaster. Whether he meant another outbreak in India, not very (improbable, perhaps, but not a pleasant prospect even for Birmingham radicals,) or a revolution at home, which might be still more terrible, his audience evidently thought they understood him, and laughed and cheered accordingly. It may have been only a joke, after all; but Cawnpore is a grim sort of joke to a good many Englishmen.

Will the present House of Commons plead guilty to the indictment brought against it by Mr. BRIGHT? Will it admit itself to be corrupt, selfish, incapable, and paralyzed for any good? Vote itself out of existence, and penitently beg the lower strata of artisans, the seven pound householders, or registered householders, or the agricultural laborers, the navvies, the vast mob of the great unwashed multitude, to elect a purer, wiser and more capable Parliament? The House may be all that Mr. BRIGHT declares it to be; but it will be a very remarkable House indeed if it votes itself incompetent and incapable. Yet it is this House of Commons that must carry out the reform that is the basis of all other reforms.

I find a curious report in a London paper respecting the *Alabama* claims. It is that the whole matter will be settled by Mr. LAIRD, the builder of the *Alabama*, taking upon himself the whole blame of the transaction, and paying the entire damages out of his own pocket! Mr. LAIRD, it is added, when the Government had determined to seize the *Alabama*, was secretly informed of the fact by a Government employe, who has since confessed his culpability, so that Mr. LAIRD might be forced to pay, which he will do voluntarily, to save both the Government and himself from difficulty. This story needs confirmation; but if the Government is responsible to the United States, somebody should, of course, be responsible to the Government. Mr. LAIRD is rich, no doubt, but probably not rich enough to foot the little bill run up by the *Alabama*.

There was a mystery about the sudden and complete surrender of the ex-Confederate steamer *Rockfish*, from Rappahannock, which I was unable last week to solve. This vessel, bought and fitted out by the Confederates, was formerly the British gunboat *Victor*. She was bought for the Confederates by a London mercantile firm, and was being fitted out at Sheerness by workmen from the Government docks, when Consul MORSE got wind of the transaction and furnished the evidence to Mr. ADAMS, who applied to the British Government. There was a leak somewhere, as in the *Alabama* case, and the *Victor* escaped to Calais and there completed her outfit; but as Mr. DAYTON, the American Minister at Paris, was furnished with the information procured by the American Consul in London, she was upon his representation detained at Calais, where she was used as a receiving-ship. Men were sent to her from all parts of England, and transferred to other points as needed. She was all this time closely watched by the American Consul at London, who prevented many men from going on board her, and who succeeded in taking others from her, by operations which will make a curious part of the history of the war as fought in Europe. All her efforts to escape, by pretended sale, converting her into a merchantman, &c., were thwarted. The *Kearsarge* watched her at one time when there was danger of her escaping in the night. Finally, at the close of the war, she changed her name to the *Beatrice*, and went to Liverpool, where Consul DUDLEY commenced a suit for her surrender to the United States. In this suit a claim was put in for some £5,000 by the London house which had purchased her; and here the matter rested until Consul MORSE made his investigation into the transaction of FRAZER, TRENHOLM & Co., preparatory to the proposed settlement; when he found that the agents in the case of the *Rappahannock* had been paid in full, and that there was no valid claim against her. The agents, warned of this, did not appear, no opposition was made, and the steamer was given up to the United States.

There are really some apprehensions of more troubles in India. Seventy thousand British bayonets watch over the safety of that vast and populous realm, but such a force is a heavy drain upon England for men, and a cause of constantly increasing taxation in India. The East Indians are becoming every year more educated with respect to European affairs, and there is little doubt that either France or Russia, if at war with England, could stir up a revolt in India which the entire British force could not quell. It is a matter of great difficulty to govern so large a country, by mere brute force, and without any pretence of sympathy or loyalty. The Indians, in fact, hate their conquerers, their plunderers, and their oppressors, aliens in religion and race. Mahommedans and Pagans, they alike detest their European and Christian rulers. Every means taken to educate and improve the condition of the Hindoos makes them the more dangerous. How long can such a reign of force, based upon no affection, or duty, or even interest, continue? It is a mine that needs but a spark to fire, and sooner or later there will be a tremendous explosion.

I must mention once more the distress in East London. The thousands of people there have not work, except that the river is free of ice, and there is the usual movement among the shipping; but 30,000 are fed to a considerable extent by the contributions which fill whole columns of the newspapers. Thousands of pounds are daily distributed in soup and bread--but what can be done to redeem the pawned or replace the sold furniture and clothing, which for months kept so many thousands from starvation. Work will come at some time no doubt. The Trades' Union funds must be exhausted at last. The workmen may revolt against the Unions. Some of these cases are very hard. In one case hundreds of mechanics and laborers are kept out of work because a few shipwrights refuse to set up the frames of the vessels. In another part of England a whole industrial population is threatened with a lock-out, on account of a strike in one branch of trade. It is a civil war in fact, and these are battles, only for killed and wounded we have the starving and sick, and instead of the military hospital the crowded casual ward of the workhouse.

Lord MONCK, Governor-General of the North American British Provinces, has been *féted* at Portsmouth, and his Secretary informed us that every politician in America, from Mr. SEWARD and the late President LINCOLN, down to the pettiest village politician, was of opinion that the British Government was the best one possible for the people of Great Britain. It is pleasant to hear that there is any subject on which American politicians are so delightfully unanimous.

Mr. BRIGHT last night presided over another Reform meeting at Manchester, which presented an address to, and listened to a speech from, The O'DONOGHUE, the recognised leader of the Liberal Party in Ireland. The speech of the Chieftain of the Glens was devoted chiefly to the land question and the Church. Justice to Ireland, he said, was the simple and only way to destroy Fenianism. If could not be kept up by American sympathy, if it had not its root in the wrongs of Ireland. Mr. ROEBUCK took part in the meeting.

Mr. J. S. MILL, M. P., was last night inducted into his new post of Rector of the University of St. Andrews, at Edinburgh, and spoke for two hours, but his speech was too long or not of sufficient importance to be telegraphed. It was enough to give us pretty full reports of those of Mr. BRIGHT and The O'DONOGHUE.

It is a humiliating fact that a great many people on this side of the Atlantic have a droll habit of looking upon us Americans as savages. The common people of London are astonished to see us wearing hats and trousers, and speaking intelligible English. Of course they complain of our short accent and Yankee tone. An accomplished American lady at a party the other night, was taken to task by a blowsey cockneyess who scattered her h's in all directions, for some mispronunciation. "You must consider," said the fair Yankee, "how short a time I have heard English spoken. Of course my native tongue is Choctaw; and if my dress and behavior is e not *comme il faut*, think how short a time it is since I wore nothing but paint and feathers, and always came into a room with a war-whoop." Madame Britannia looked a little shocked and puzzled, but her good nature came to the rescue, and bursting into a great hearty laugh, she said: "Well, my dear, don't be fupset about it, we're hall one flesh and blood, and I'm sure you are as white as many of us."

MONADNOCK.

Ice Gorge in the Maumee River--Toledo Partially Inundated--Great Loss of Property.

TOLEDO, Monday, Feb. 18.

The ice in the Maumee River, opposite the city, broke up yesterday morning, and moving down, gorged at the bridge at the foot of Cherry-street. The water rose rapidly, flooding the warehouses, lumber-yards, basements, &c., along Water-street, which was completely submerged at several points. The railroad depot, Island House Hotel, and a large portion of the land occupied by the railroad, and known as Middle Ground, were also inundated. About 11 A. M., the Cherry-street bridge, upward of three-fourths of a mile in length, gave way, and nearly half the entire structure was swept off. There were five persons on the wrecked portion, all of whom escaped on the ice. The damage to the bridge will probably reach $15,000. Fears were entertained for the safety of the Cleveland and Toledo Railroad bridge, which has been rebuilt during the present Winter, and just completed. It was for a long time in great danger, but was saved by stretching a train heavily laden with freight across it. The steamer *City of Toledo* broke from her moorings, and drifted down the stream some distance, but finally swung alongside the Michigan Southern dock, where she was secured. The small steamer *Belle* also went adrift, and shortly disappeared. It is probable that she sunk. Toward night the gorge broke, and the water quickly subsided to the average level. It is reported that the bridge at Maumee City, ten miles above, was carried away, but the report lacks confirmation.

Earthquake in California--Fire at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, Feb. 18.

Three shocks of earthquake were experienced at San Diégo, California, on the 1st inst.

A fire broke out at the southeast corner of Davis and Washington streets yesterday and destroyed several buildings. Loss $12,000.

The Fenian News in Canada.

OTTAWA, Monday, Feb. 18.

The Fenian news from Ireland has created some excitement among Government officials, and the military authorities are on the alert.

The discount on American invoices this week is 26 per cent.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The Senate concurred in the House amendment to change certain collection Districts in Maryland and Virginia; also, in the House amendment to the bill to amend the act to prevent smuggling and for other purposes; also, in the House amendment to the bill to permit the owner of the yacht *May Flower* to change her name to the *Sylvia*.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE.

The Chair appointed Messrs. POLAND, MORGAN and MCDOUGALL the Committee of Conference on the Bankrupt Bill.

SYMPATHY FOR THE CRETANS.

Mr. MORGAN presented the resolutions of the New-York Legislature expressing sympathy for the Cretans. The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Petitions and memorials were presented and referred.

DISBURSING OFFICERS.

Mr. WILSON, from the Military Committee, presented a joint resolution to facilitate the settlement of accounts of disbursing officers, which was passed. It repeals so much of an act of 1860 as provides that accounts shall be rendered direct to the proper accounting officer, and provides that all vouchers shall be sent to the Bureaus to which they belong to be there examined and afterward passed upon by the proper accounting officer of the Treasury.

ASSAY OFFICES.

The Committee on Finance was, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS, discharged from further consideration of petitions for the establishment of Assay offices in Utah and Arizona Territories.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Mr. HENDERSON introduced a resolution for the printing of 5,000 copies of the report of the physics and hydraulics of the Mississippi River alluvial deposits. It was referred to the Committee on Printing.

SUPREME COURT.

Mr. HARRIS moved that the Senate take up the bill in relation to appeals and writs of error in the Supreme Court.

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTER.

Mr. ANTHONY moved to take up the bill for the election of Congressional Printer.

THE LOUISIANA BILL.

Mr. SUMNER understood that the Senate was to proceed to the consideration of the Louisiana Bill as soon as what was known as the Military Bill was disposed of.

WRITS OF ERROR.

Mr. FESSENDEN wished to say that he had some appropriation bill which he should desire to call up as soon as the morning hour expired.

The bill moved by Mr. HARRIS was taken up and and read, as follows:

That where any appeal or writ of error has been brought to the Supreme Court from any final judgment or decree of an inferior Court of the United States for any Judicial District in which subsequently to the rendition of such judgment or decree the regular sessions of such Court have been suspended or interrupted by insurrection or rebellion, such appeal or writ of error shall be valid and effectual, notwithstanding the time limited by law for bringing the same may have previously expired, and in cases where no appeal or writ of error has been brought from any such judgment or decree, such appeal or writ of error may be brought within one year from the passage of this act.

THE PRINTING BILL.

This bill was laid aside temporarily, and the Senate took up the bill for the election of a Congressional printer which was read. As amended by the Senate it makes a printer an officer to be elected by the Senate, and abolishes the present office of Superintendent of Public Printing.

The salary is fixed at $4,000.

Mr. ANTHONY explained the object of the bill to be to make the offices named in it immediately responsible to Congress instead of to the President.

Mr. WILLIAMS inquired of Mr. ANTHONY if he was sure that there was no constitutional objection to this bill. The Constitution provides that all officers of the United States shall be appointed by the President, and that he (WILLIAMS) was not sure that the Public Printer could be regarded in any other light than that of an officer of the United States.

Mr. ANTHONY thought it competent for the Senate to elect a printer and make him one of its own officers.

Mr. LANE thought the Senate had a perfect right to choose an officer to superintend the printing of its proceedings and journals.

The bill was then passed as amended, and goes to the House for concurrence in amendment.

APPROPRIATION BILLS.

The River and Harbor Appropriation Bill was received from the House, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. FESSENDEN moved to take up the Military Academy Appropriation Bill.

THE LOUISIANA BILL.

Mr. SUMNER moved to take up the Louisiana Bill. There was a distinct understanding that it was to be proceeded with as soon as the Military Bill was passed.

Several Senators rose and disclaimed any such understanding.

Mr. WADE said if he ever had such an understanding, it was before there was anything looking like reconstruction in the Military Bill.

Mr. SUMNER did not see that the amendment to the bill passed on Sunday made the necessity for the Louisiana bill any the less. He thought it increased it.

WRITS OF ERROR.

The Senate resumed the consideration of Mr. HARRIS' Bill, laid aside a short time since.

Mr. HARRIS offered an amendment that the provisions of the bill shall not apply to any case in which the time limited by law had expired before the rebellion. As thus amended the bill was passed, and goes to the House.

THE MILITARY ACADEMY APPROPRIATIONS.

The bill making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy for the year ending May 30, 1868, was taken up. It contains a proviso that no money shall be appropriated under it, for the pay or subsistence of any cadet from any State lately in rebellion, until that State shall have been readmitted; and that no money shall be expended under it, or in violation of the law prescribing the oath of office, &c.

The Committee recommended the striking out of this proviso.

Mr. FESSENDEN said the proviso was unnecessary, and was embodied in existing laws. It was stricken out.

Mr. WILSON moved an amendment relieving the Chaplain of the Academy from academic duties, that he may devote his whole time to the moral and religious training of the cadets.

The amendment was agreed to and the bill was passed, and goes to the House for concurrence in amendment.

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR APPROPRIATIONS.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN, the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation Bill was taken up. Among the items is $17,000 for the suppression of the African Slave-trade.

NEW POST-OFFICE FOR BOSTON.

Mr. SUMNER introduced a joint resolution providing that the Mayor and Postmaster of the City of Boston, the Assistant United States Treasurer, and the President of the Board of Trade of said city, and ALPHEUS HARDY, DANIEL DAVIS, and JOHN A. ANDREW, of Boston, be appointed a Commission to select a proper site for a building for a Post-office, and for the accommodation of the Sub-Treasury in said city, and that they report to the Postmaster-General and the Secretary of the Treasury, at their earliest convenience, the selection made, and the price at which the same may be purchased, if a new site be selected, and if the report shall meet the approbation of the Postmaster-General and the Secretary of the Treasury, they shall communicate the same to Congress, with such additional recommendations as they may deem proper. Referred to the Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads.

AWARDS TO LOYAL INDIANS.

Mr. POMEROY introduced a joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to pay the awards heretofore made and reported to him by the Commissioner appointed under the forty-ninth section of the treaty with the Choctaw and the Chickasaw Indians of July 10, 1866, to ascertain the amount of losses sustained by loyal Choctaws and Chickasaws by being driven from their homes on account of their loyalty, and sell such amount of bonds or stocks belonging to the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations held in trust by the Government as may be necessary to pay said awards, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The Committee on Finance recommended the reservation of the Portugal mission.

Mr. SUMNER opposed the amendment.

Mr. GRIMES said he believed Mr. HARVEY had been paid out of the Contingent Fund of the State Department, which, by the last years' Appropriation Bill, was $50,000, although five years ago it was only $12,000 a year.

Mr. SUMNER said it would be remembered that it was provided by law that no money should be paid to Mr. HARVEY out of any fund whatever.

Mr. GRIMES said he understood the Secretary of State had a way of using this Contingent Fund so that one Minister who was his friend might get $3,000 for traveling expenses, and another whom he did not like might get nothing.

Mr. FESSENDEN said the amendment of the Committee provided only for the payment of the Minister to Portugal. It could not be applied to Mr. HARVEY, because the law of the last session provided that no money should be paid for any future services rendered by Mr. HARVEY, and until this was repealed Mr. HARVEY could not be paid.

Mr. DIXON defended Mr. HARVEY, and expressed the belief that he would yet be paid what was due him for his services. He did not know how this would be done, but he believed it would be done at some future time.

Mr. FOOT condemned the conduct of the State Department in keeping Mr. HARVEY in his position after Congress had declared him an unfit representative of the nation.

Mr. DAVIS contrasted the conduct of Mr. HARVEY with the conduct of Mr. ANTHONY, and contended that the charges of the latter for the services rendered during the invasion of 1847, and by Indian depredations. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. HOOKER, of Utah--A memorial of the Utah Legislature praying for the repeal of the Act to punish polygamy in the Territories. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. JULIAN--A joint resolution on the subject of Republican Governments for the States of the Union. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. RICE, of Massachusetts--Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to grant the use of guns for the trial of the Ridgway Battery. Referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. PAINE--Explanatory of the joint resolution July 26, 1866, for the relief of certain officers in the army. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. COOK--Directing the coin held by the Secretary of the Treasury, by order of the President, and claimed by the Bank of Virginia, the Farmers' Bank of Virginia, and the Exchange Bank, of Virginia, to be paid into the Treasury with the rights of the claimants to prosecute their claims. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. BAKER--A resolution of the Illinois Legislature in reference to a navy-yard at Mound City. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. WINDHAM--A concurrent resolution of the Minnesota Legislature on the financial condition of the country. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DONNELLY--Resolutions of the Minnesota Legislature relative to the protection of the emigrant route through Minnesota to the gold fields of Montana. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

SUFFRAGE TO WOMEN.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the resolutions introduced several Mondays ago, by Mr. NOELL, in reference to extending the suffrage to women. Having half an hour left of the time he had last Monday, he consumed it in reading an argument in support of his proposition, which afforded considerable amusement to members in his vicinity, when the fall of the Speaker's hammer indicated the expiration of Mr. NOELL'S time.

Mr. MCRUER arose, and remarking that the session was too short to justify any more expenditure of time on the subject, moved that the resolutions be laid on the table. The motion was agreed to, and the resolutions were laid on the table.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

The Speaker proceeded with the call of States for resolutions, when resolutions were offered as follows:

By Mr. WHALEY--Directing the Committee on Ways and Means to consider the propriety of including the employes of the Government Printing Office in the joint resolution granting additional compensation to certain employes in the civil service in Washington. Adopted.

By Mr. LATHAM--For a recess of the House daily, except Saturdays, from 4:30 to 7:30. Adopted.

By Mr. HENDERSON--Declaring that the Constitution authorizes the Chief Executive to extend the pardoning power to persons who have been tried by the proper tribunals, and convicted of crime, and to none other--and that consequently all pardons granted to such as have never been convicted or tried, are without foundation in law, and null and void. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. ELDRIDGE--Directing the Committee on Banking and Currency to inquire into the expediency of the withdrawal of National Bank currency as rapidly as it can be done without injustice to the National Banks, and supplying the place of such currency with United States Treasury notes.

Mr. BROMALL moved to lay the resolution on the table. The motion was agreed to--95 to 56--and the resolution was laid on the table.

CONGRESSIONAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

On motion of Mr. PRICE, the use of the hall was granted for next Sunday evening to the Congressional Temperance Society.

NATIONAL CAPITAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

On motion of Mr. INGERSOLL, the Senate amendments to the House bill to incorporate the National Capital Insurance Company, were now concurred in, and a Committee of conference asked for.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, the Committee on the District of Columbia was instructed to report a bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor as a beverage in the District.

NATIONAL BANKS.

Mr. HUBBARD, of West Virginia, asked leave to offer a resolution directing the Committee on Banking to inquire into the expediency of requiring the National Banking Associations to retain, as a part of their redemption reserve, a certain per centage of the gold interest paid by the Government on the bonds deposited as security on their circulation, the same to be retained as a basis for the resumption of specie payment.

Mr. SCOFIELD objected, and the resolution was not received.

THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT BILL.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, the House proceeded to the business on the Speaker's table; the first business taken up being the amendment of the Senate to the House bill to provide for the more efficient government of the insurrectionary States.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, asked the Speaker how it happened that, although when the House adjourned on Saturday there were some twenty bills on the Speaker's table, this bill, which only came in this morning, was the first to be taken up.

The Speaker replied that it was according to the rule which required the business on the Speaker's table to be considered in the following order:

First--Messages from the President and other Executive documents.

Second--Messages from the Senate and amendments proposed by the Senate to House bills; and

Third--Bills and resolutions from the Senate.

Mr. RANDALL expressed himself satisfied with the Speaker's explanation. The amendments of the Senate having been read,

Mr. STEVENS moved that the House non-concur in the amendments, and asked for a Committee of Conference.

Mr. SPALDING moved that the House concur in the amendments.

Mr. STEVENS having the floor, yielded for twenty minutes to Mr. BOUTWELL, who addressed the House in opposition to the amendments. I am aware that the provisions of this bill have been thoroughly discussed by the House, and that I have had my full share and opportunity of discussion, and if I did not believe that this bill as it comes from the Senate was fraught with great and permanent danger to the country, I would not now attempt to resist further its passage. The majority here, representing the majority of the loyal people of the country, has the control of the Government for the next two years and more, and we have every reason to believe, in the nature of things, that the loyal ascendancy will be maintained in this country. We ought to be able, and we certainly are able, to reconstruct this Government on a loyal basis. But in any event nothing worse can happen to the country than the reconstruction of the country on a disloyal basis. If it is to be reconstructed on a disloyal basis, there are two things that I seek. First, that we who believe ourselves loyal to the Government and to the country, shall not in any way be responsible for the reconstruction of the Government in the hands of disloyal men; and second, if it is to be the fortune of the country that it shall be reconstructed on a disloyal basis, then I desire to postpone that calamity to the latest day possible. If during this session, or during the Fortieth Congress the majority acts according to its means and opportunities, it cannot fail to secure the reconstruction of those ten States, and their restoration to the Union through the agency of loyal men, and by loyal means. My objection to the bill is this. It is fundamental. It is conclusive that it provides, if not in terms, by the measures which it proposes, for the restoration of these Governments at once, through the agency of disloyal men; and I say that that great fact, which is near to us if this bill passes, ought to restrain us from any action in favor of this measure, although we allow the 4th of March to pass without doing anything whatever, for the restoration of the Government. I do not believe that the people of this country are prepared to accept any measure of restoration that looks to the re-introduction of disloyal men, first into the government of ten States, and then into the government of the country. But if that be their purpose, I say it is our duty, standing here with power in our hands, to-day to resist the reconstruction of this Government through any such agency or with any such certain results near at hand. I pass over in this bill the provisions of the second section, by which all power is put into the hands of the President of the United States, with the simple declaration that if the Civil Rights Bill were to be enforced by the President according to its terms and its intentions, it is sufficient for the protection of liberty of person and rights, and of life, throughout those ten States; and if that be so, then the necessity for the passage of a military bill for the government of the South arises simply from the fact that thus far the President has failed to perform it in its fullest extent; and by that remark I do not say whether he has failed or not from any wilful neglect of duty--this duty under the law--and has not used the power placed in his hands for the protection of the loyal people of the ten States recently in rebellion. Until you have some assurance that the vast powers which the President already possesses are to be used in behalf of loyalty and justice, and of life, why give him additional powers? I would give no more military powers to the President in these ten States, until we have evidence that he is prepared to exercise that with which he is already clothed, in the interest of loyalty and justice, and for the protection of life, liberty and property in the South. Under this bill there is not one rebel in the South for JEFFERSON DAVIS himself, if he were released from Fortress Monroe, to the humblest soldier who trained in the armies of the rebellion or practised the nefarious business of the guerrilla, deprived of the right of suffrage. It provides for universal amnesty and restoration to political power. The pending Constitutional Amendment deprives certain persons of the right to hold office, but the power of this Government and the power of States is not in the right to hold office. It is in the immensely superior power of the people to elect to office; the men elected to office will represent those by whom they are elected, and thus the reorganization of those ten States be turned over to the rebels. You give them the front seats in the work of reconstruction, the places of power, of influence, of trust, and do you expect, after submitting all authority to them that you can reconstruct loyal State Governments then. Now is the time to cherish and nourish the loyal sentiments of the people. We ought to see to it that the men under whose guidance those States are reconstructed are loyal men. We ought to remove from the business of reconstructing South Carolina, for example, the ORRS, the PICKENS, and the MCGRATHS, and all those men who participated in the rebellion. This bill leaves the whole matter of reconstruction open to anybody and everybody in the South who may choose to engage in the work. The result will be that in those several States the ancient rebel party will resist reconstruction for a time, and when they see it becoming inevitable in any State they will take the business into their own hands, and will reconstruct the Government according to their own ideas, and will come here with every condition precedent, fully satisfied according to the letter of the law. They will have the whole control of the State Governments in their hands, will have the control of the police and the military. And do you expect the negro, unaccustomed to political struggles, timid, careworn, broken down in spirit by the institution of Slavery, to rally in two, five or ten years so as to overthrow these rebels and deprive them of the place, of the power which they possess. In the passage of this bill we exchange power to reconstruct those Governments in the interest of loyalty for paper; we exchange authority for promises; we neglect our own duty in the work of reconstruction in the vain hope that men who have been rebels will do that in the interest of loyalty and of the Government which we ourselves, intrusted with vast powers for the public good, are either afraid to do or incapable of doing. These, Mr. Speaker, are in brief and without amplification, my objections to the passage of this bill. They are so great--so enormous do they appear in my view--that by no process of reasoning can I overcome them. I see the three millions of slaves of the South surrendered over again to the control of their masters, if you allow their Government to be reconstructed under the lead of STEPHENS, JOHNSON and the rebel Generals who have been in the field, and of the civilians who have been acting in their councils. If you do this, I ask you whether you have, any more than the President, made treason odious? Have you not done your best to make it respectable?

Mr. STOKES opposed the Senate amendment because he saw in it universal amnesty and universal suffrage and he did not understand the English language, if it did not enfranchise every rebel in the Southern States. He for one would never cause his vote to place the government of those States in the hands of rebels. If this bill passed, where, he asked, would be the loyal men of the South, white or black, they would go under. He preferred the defeat of the bill rather than its passage in the shape in which it came from the Senate. He would ask the House whether it was in favor of loyal or of disloyal men controlling the governments of the rebel States, if it was in favor of disloyal men then it should pass this bill.

Mr. STEVENS addressed the House in opposition to the amendment of the Senate. He said: Mr. Speaker--This House, a few days since, sent a bill to the Senate--a bill to protect the loyal men in the Southern States. That bill professed but a single object--the protection of the loyal men at the South from the anarchy, the oppression and murders which were every day known to be perpetrated upon them, without distinction of color, but did not attempt the difficult question of reconstruction in these States of civil government. The House thought it wise to leave that question to be settled by the Congress which is about to come in; thus leaving a longer time for its consideration. There is not in the bill a single phrase or word that looked to anything but a police regulation of those States. What has the Senate done? It has sent us back an amendment which contains everything else but protection. It has sent us back a bill which raises the whole question in dispute as to the best mode of reconstructing those States, not by immediate legislation, but by distant and future legislation which this Congress has no power to make and no power to execute. What power has this Congress to say to a future Congress that when the Southern States have done certain things you shall admit them and receive their representatives into the House. Sir it is idle and nugatory to suppose that we are not to have what is impudent in us and must be wholly fruitless. The first feature of the amendment which strikes the eye in this bill is that we take the management of those States from the General of the army and put it into the hands of the President of the United States. No man doubts the constitutional authority of Congress to detail or authorize the President to detail for particular services particular officers of the army. But our friends who love this bill love it now because the President is to execute it as he has executed every other law of Congress for the last few years, by permitting the murder of loyal men, and by despising Congress and flinging in its teeth all that Congress desires. That seems to be the sweet ingredient in this bill for many of our friends around us. I do not of course, believe anything about these nightly meetings that are talked of. I think that is all imagination. But if there were just such meetings, this bill, as returned to us from the Senate, would be the offspring of such convocations. What is the fifth section of the bill? It is that we must pledge this Government in future to all the rebels in rebeldom, so that there may be no escape whatever from it. Congress has nothing to do with that--nothing to do with the holding out to them a pledge or promise that if they do certain things, they shall be admitted to representation in Congress and their representatives shall be allowed to act with us. I know, Mr. Speaker, that there is an impatience to bring in these chivalrous gentlemen, lest they

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

FELTON'S LECTURES ON GREECE.

GREECE, ANCIENT AND MODERN. Lectures Delivered Before the Lowell Institute by C. C. FELTON, LL.D., Late President of Harvard University. Two volumes. Boston: TICKNOR & FIELDS.

President FELTON was born Nov. 6, 1807, at Newbury, a town on the Merrimack River, about six miles from Newburyport, Mass. He entered Harvard University as a Freshman in his sixteenth year, worked his way through College by teaching Winter schools, and for two years after graduation had charge of the Livingston County High School in Genesee, N. Y. In 1829 he was appointed Latin tutor in Harvard; the next year became Greek tutor; in 1832 was appointed College Professor, and in 1834 Elliot Professor of Greek Literature, being the third Professor upon that foundation. When President WALKER retired from the control of Harvard University in 1860, Prof. FELTON was promptly offered that reponsible position, the duties of which he discharged for only two years. He died at the residence of his brother at Chester, Penn., Feb. 26, 1862, while on his way to Washington, and the eulogies pronounced upon him by the heads of various literary institutions throughout the land, marked as they were by sincere and genuine feeling, gave emphatic proof that his loss was keenly felt by those who knew best how to appreciate his personal worth, and the great service he had done the country by deepening and quickening the desire for a broad and comprehensive literary culture in the minds of the hundreds of young men who had come within the sphere of his influence, and who will always cherish his memory. Although his official duties were always arduous, engrossing and imperative, President FELTON found time for an amount of miscellaneous literary work, directly connected, of course, with the line of his professional labor, which gives the best possible proof of his untiring industry. While in college he was one of the conductors of a students' paper, known as the *Harvard Register*. After graduation his addresses before public societies were numerous, but were always distinguished by close study and careful preparation, and his contributions to current periodical literature proved the range of his scholarship, and the full command which he had of his great acquisitions. Besides all this, hardly a year passed from the time of his permanent connection with Harvard College as an instructor, to that of his death, that he did not make some contribution of permanent value to general literature. The fact that he so long graced the Professorship of the Greek Language in one of the leading Universities of the land, would of itself indicate the course of his studies. His literary labors were mainly expended upon the production of editions of Greek comedies and tragedies, which at once found their way as text-books into nearly all the prominent institutions of learning in the land. In April, 1853, he went abroad, and after a hasty tour through the British Islands, France, Germany and Switzerland, he went to Malta and Constantinople, and on his return stopped at Smyrna and several of the Greek Islands, arriving at Athens in October of the same year. Six months were spent in most industriously studying the remains of ancient art, and also in investigating the language and literature of modern Greece, and the Constitution and laws of the Hellenic Kingdom. At a later period, and before accepting the Presidency of Harvard, Prof. FELTON made still another visit to Greece, devoting himself with renewed ardor to the studies which had engrossed nearly his whole life.

A glance at the list of the works which bear Prof. FELTON'S name as author or editor furnishes the best evidence possible of his devotion to that branch of classical literature to which he gave himself up with such untiring enthusiasm; but those who, ignorant of the personal characteristics of the man, might conclude from the accuracy of his scholarship that he was simply a drudge would be very far indeed from the truth. The lectures which we have in these handsome volumes give a better and more complete idea of Prof. FELTON'S ruling traits than can be gathered from any, or, it might almost be said, from all of his other productions. It was evidently a source of the keenest pleasure to him to make the multitude sharers in the stores of varied learning which he had gathered up. Quick to observe all that was worth noting in the people with whom he had come in contact in his travels, or all that was curious in the books which had contributed to his knowledge of former times, he was just as prompt in appreciating what would at once amuse and profit a popular audience, and these lectures are a delightful combination of erudition and humor, of wide learning and of that geniality which all his personal acquaintances know so well was a marked characteristic of their author. Delivered before the Lowell Institute in the years 1852, '53, '54 and '59, these lectures were at the time briefly reported in the Boston journals, but here they are first gathered together in a complete form. Of the four courses three are devoted to Ancient and one to Modern Greece. "The Greek language and Poetry" are treated of in the first course which consists of thirteen lectures. Beginning with the origin and classification of languages President FELTON deals hard blows at the "whims of one-sided scholarship," which endeavor to find in the Basque, or indeed in any other tongue, that form of speech in which the two thousand languages now spoken had their origin. "We may rest assured," he says, "that the miracle of languages, on which the beginning of human speech reposes, like the miracle of creation itself, was an exercise of the Divine power, carefully and wisely adjusted to the exigencies of the case." He is not at all disposed, however, to depreciate the inquiries to which all these studies and speculations have given rise, for they have caused the remarkable affinities between the different languages now spoken to be more closely investigated and more clearly understood. The discussion of the classification of languages illustrates the wide range of President FELTON'S philological studies very happily, and so do the lectures which treat of the origin of writing and that part of the primeval literature of the East, which bears the most striking resemblance to the Greek. Then taking up HOMER, to whose history, with sketches and estimates of the Iliad, Odyssey, the Batrachomyomachia and the Homeric Hymns, nearly three lectures are devoted, President FELTON passes in review all the Greek poetry down to the Byzantine period, giving a brief glance also at that which has enriched the language during the last century and the present.

"The Life of Greece" is the general theme of the second course, and of the series of lectures on this subject, one of the pleasantest and most genial is that which describes the rural life of the people. Even in those days, large quantities of cider and perry were manufactured from pears and apples. The farm-yard had a multitude of noisy tenants. "Geese and ducks often waddled into the kitchen, in one corner of which might be heard the comforting sounds of the occupants of the pig-stye." "The art of enlarging the goose's liver to please the fastidious appetite of the gourmand, by cooping him up in a heated room, and stuffing him with fattening food and drink, was not left for German gastronomers to invent, but was well known to the Greeks and to the Egyptians before them. Henneries, furnished with roosts, were attached to the kitchen so as to receive its smoke, which was supposed to be agreeable to barn-yard fowls." The arrangements of a Greek dairy were not unlike our own, and though butter was not much used in the classical ages, it is mentioned by HIPPOCRATES under the name of *pikeron*. Cheese was universally eaten, generally while fresh and soft. Milk was sold in the Grecian market by women, and Prof. FELTON adds: "It frequently reached the customer in the shape of milk and water." Indeed, so likely was this to be the case that the following very simple method of detecting the fraud was very much in vogue: "A little milk was dropped upon the thumb nail; if the milk was pure it would remain in its place, if not it would flow away." It seems strange that such an economical and convenient lactometer as this is not in more general use in these days of degenerate milkmen. Regarding roads, houses, furniture, marriage and the details of domestic life, we have an accumulation of curious and very interesting information. As the arts of household embellishment crept in, Mosaic floors and painted walls came with them, and it is upon record that ALCIBIADES incurred a novel accusation in his desire to get his house frescoed. We have it upon the authority of ANDOCIDES, the orator, that ALCIBIADES "went to such a pitch of audacity that having persuaded AGATHARCHUS, the painter, to accompany him home, he compelled him to paint the walls of his house. The artist remonstrated that he had other work to do, which was true. But ALCIBIADES threatened to send him to prison unless he instantly went to work, which he did, nor did he get away until the fourth month afterward, when, deceiving the guards, he made his escape. But this man (ALCIBIADES) was so lost to shame that, instead of repenting of his deeds of violence, he commenced a suit against the artist for leaving his work incomplete." As regards articles of general utility in the household, we moderns have not made such rapid advances as some might suppose. Of bedsteads, for instance, "there is not any form, from the four-poster to the French, which may not be found described by writers or represented in works of art. ULYSSES manufactured one for himself of olive-wood, inlaid with gold and ivory." For one advance the Greeks deserve great credit, since "one of the greatest improvements introduced by them into the art of sleeping was the practice of undressing before going to bed—a thing unheard of until hit upon by their inventive genius." The modes of dressing practiced by the Greeks are sketched very pleasantly, and are also quite happily and wittily contrasted with those in vogue at the present day. "The Greeks had a great variety of sandals, shoes and boots; but to go barefoot never offended the usages of society except on festive or state occasions; and any one who remembers with what delight he felt the first touch of the soil in Spring or early Summer, when the time came for throwing off his shoes and stockings, will agree with me," Prof. FELTON remarks, "in thinking that the Hellenic usage in this respect was more natural and agreeable than our own. To be set in the stocks was once a disgraceful punishment; yet, what are boots and shoes but stocks, with this great disadvantage that they go with us wherever we go, turning our feet into bunches of corns, and making the services of the chiropodist of more imminent necessity than those of the surgeon in the economy of life!" The Athenian women not only resorted to cosmetics, but they had many ingenious contrivances for the improvement of the figure. "Corsets and tight lacing were frequently employed. If a damsel was too short, she had cork put into the soles of her shoes; if too tall she wore thin shoes and dropped her head on her shoulder.....Red eyebrows were blackened; a dark complexion was whitened; one too pale was rouged, and any peculiar beauty of the person was displayed." Nor were the dresses always simple and of a single color. White, purple, yellow, gray, brown, olive, green, azure and changeable were worn by both sexes; only it was considered essential to good taste to avoid very staring colors. There is great temptation to linger among the lectures devoted to a description of the clubs which existed in Athens; or those which give an account of the ways in which the poor were provided for in the days of Ancient Greece, and sketches of the system of education, &c. But to allude to the points of interest which are brought out would compel a substantial reproduction of the lectures themselves, or a sacrifice of the genial and delightful humor which sparkles through them all.

In the third course of lectures which was really the last delivered in order of time, but which is very properly given the first place in the second volume, that all pertaining to Ancient Greece may be kept together, the instructive element preponderates over the entertaining, and the depth and comprehensiveness of the scholarship of the author is made apparent, but without the slightest tinge of pedantry. "The Greek Polity," "Slavery," "The Persian and Peloponnesian Wars," "Demosthenes," "Socrates," &c., &c., are all discussed, and the Fourth course is confined to "Modern Greece." Ten of the twelve lectures in this course are mainly devoted to an historical sketch of Greece as it passed from under the rule of the Romans to that of the Turks; and the other two describe Greece as it has been since the revolution of 1827. These last are among the most entertaining lectures in either of the volumes, for they comprise incidents of travel and bits of personal description evidently transferred from President FELTON'S own note books. A single passage, descriptive of the Princess AMELIA, daughter of the Grand Duke of Oldenburgh, one of the most beautiful Princesses in Europe, who became the wife of King OTHO in 1836, will illustrate President FELTON'S fluent and very attractive style. He writes:

"This charming person had, from early childhood, taken the deepest interest in the fortunes of Greece. She had carefully read the accounts of the war of independence in the journals, and had even formed a complete history of the period by cutting out the paragraphs from the public prints and arranging them in order. When she heard of the election of OTHO—being then only 14 years old, she exclaimed, with the simplicity of that attractive age, 'how I should like to be the Queen!' The words were prophetic of her destiny. In one of his long visits to his native country, the King met the Princess at a watering-place and became acquainted with her. As a very natural result an engagement ensued, under circumstances of personal intimacy and reciprocal affection quite unusual with royal personages. They were married on the 22d of November, 1836, and having remained in Germany about two months, were conveyed from Trieste to Peiratus in an English frigate, arriving on the 14th February, 1837. The next day the royal pair entered Athens under the triumphal arches decorated with laurel and myrtle branches and the hearts of the whole population. It was among the interesting incidents of the occasion that the King and Queen were welcomed by a hymn sung by the children of the school established by the American Missionaries; and the first crown placed on the head of their Majesties was a crown of flowers wreathed by the pupils of Dr. KING. The youthful beauty raised to the throne of Greece, the object of love and hope to an enthusiastic and excitable people—ruling in that famous Athens, so illustrious in history; so unfortunate in the vicissitudes of time; so long oppressed by Romans, Franks, Turks; so lately held by turbaned Infidels and now the regenerated capital of a Christian State. She has now reigned seventeen years. The loveliness of early youth has given place to a splendid and queenly beauty unequalled on any throne in Europe. Her countenance is still fresh with the rosy hues of youth; her smile is gracious and enchanting. With health that never fails, with spirits that never flag, with manners that never lose their charm—the best rider and the most indefatigable dancer in all Hellas—wherever she appears the most superb woman, be the others whom they may, bearing the fatigues of traveling among the mountains of Greece better than any man, welcomed with dancing by the lovely peasant maidens on the slopes of Parnassus and the Valley of Bootia, sharing in their rustic feasts, feeling the full inspiration of Hellenic traditions, and of the glorious traditions with which they are associated—with a heart as daring as a Pallecar's, a courage that knows no fear—the Queen of Greece, blessed as she may have been by politicians and diplomatists, would adorn the throne of Constantinople, on which her subjects hope to place her."

Another dynasty has succeeded that of King OTHO, and the enthusiastic prediction or hope uttered by President FELTON in this closing sentence is impossible of fulfillment. Perhaps it would have been difficult for him to have written the more recent history of the country, all the associations of which were so dear to him; but every reader of these volumes will be unable to repress an expression of regret that he had not been spared to add a supplementary lecture to these upon Modern Greece. In the first lecture of this fourth course which was delivered as long ago as 1854, President FELTON wrote: "There are many things which naturally tend to international sympathy between us and the Greeks. In the first place, the tie of a common civilization which binds the educated minds of all countries to the mighty memories of ancient Greece as the parent of letters, science and arts, includes the intellect of America in the general union. In the next place, the principles of civil liberty, constitutional government, and popular legislation were first developed by the genius—as remarkable for political wisdom as for adaptation to the fine arts—of that people." True as these sentences were twelve years ago, they have a double significance now, and no time certainly during the last forty years could have been more opportune than the present for the publication of these lectures. Doubly interesting now in themselves, they will for that very reason serve the more effectively to extend the reputation and to keep alive the memory of him who was at once one of the most accomplished of American scholars and one of the most genial of men.

LITERARY INTELLIGENCE.

Foreign and Domestic Items.

In the following communication to the Jacksonville (Ill.) *Journal*, Dr. MCFARLAND, of the State Insane Asylum at that place, undertakes to explain the origin of the expression "Too much pork for a shilling." Those who have never heard of the expression having been attributed to any better origin may believe this statement if they please: "The death of N. P. WILLIS, the poet, allows the origin of the ancient saying at the head of this communication to be explained. When WILLIS was a lad of fifteen he was sent to receive his preparatory collegiate education at the hands of the father of your correspondent, Rev. Dr. MCFARLAND, of Concord, N. H., in whose family he took up his residence, and under whose instruction both his morals and his classical attainments were expected to derive great advantage. He is remembered by the writer as a boy particularly 'fast' for those primitive times, wearing a roundabout jacket, and having a round, good-humored face, handsomely set off by a profusion of light brown curly hair, in which it is well known he took great pride, even in advanced life. On the 4th of July, 1822, a fishing-party was formed to celebrate the day in a manner peculiar to anglers, on the banks of the adjacent Merrimac, and NATHANIEL had permission to join the party—the careful doctor having first learned that the provision chest was to contain only *salt pork*, which was to be cooked with the fish. But, as is apt to be the case on such occasions, certain cordials, such as *anis, noyau*, and others now equally out of date, found their way to the scene of the festivities, in the shape of the other articles; and NATHANIEL, before night, was decidedly the worse, from frequent libations, on which he had expended the best part of the 'pistareen' given him by the doctor in the morning. He found his way home, and in the twilight reached his bedroom undiscovered. But his retchings soon brought the doctor to his bedside, who, in her alarm, ran to the 'study' for the doctor, who shortly appeared, to find his pupil bent over the side of the bed in the extreme of gastric agony.

'Why, NATHANIEL,' exclaimed the grieved doctor, where *have* you been? What have you been doing? Have you spent all of your shilling?'

'Please, Sir,' gasped the abandoned repentant, 'it was the pork! I ate and ate, till my stomach is ready to burst. Indeed, Sir, I never knew so much pork before to go for a shilling!'

The saying soon became current that NAT. WILLIS got too much pork for his shilling."

—The London *Athenæum* has this paragraph:

"Students of CHAUCER and SHAKESPEARE must be on the lookout for MR. ALEXANDER J. ELLIS' paper on the pronunciation of English in the times of those poets. It was a real treat to hear the hero of phonetics read the passages he did, and as he did, and assure his hearers that he had reason for the sounds he gave to nearly every word. It required some attention to convince us that we were hearing English, the French pronunciation in many words being so marked; but any one who heard, and who will read, the steps of MR. ELLIS' investigation into all our old writers on the subject—SALESBURY, PALSGRAVE, GILL, &c.—will, we think, come to the conclusion that MR. ELLIS is right. The final *e* of CHAUCER'S lines he always sounded; and that, we believe, is the practice of Dr. GUEST and Prof. CHILD, though hitherto it has been strongly protested against by other early English scholars."

—Americans will feel interested in the announcement that Rev. J. G. Wood is preparing a companion book to his large *Illustrated Natural History*, under the title of *Routledge's Illustrated Natural History of Man*, in all countries of the world. The work is to be issued in thirty-two monthly parts, at one shilling each, and will be embellished with designs illustrative of the manners, customs, religious rites, superstitions, dress, habitations, weapons, instruments, implements, &c., in use among the inhabitants of every part of the globe.

—The London *Reader* has closed its career. The critic who wrote the review of LATHAM'S *Johnson*, attributing to the former the introduction actually written by the latter, in committing suicide also killed the paper for which he thus gained a larger notoriety in its death than it had while living. The untimely end of the *Reader* will, however, be seriously regretted by all who were accustomed to look to it for much fresh and interesting intelligence of movements in the literary world.

—According to the Manchester *Examiner* an odd illustration of the habits of mediæval priests in England occurs in a treatise now being edited for the Early English Text Society, MIRK'S "Duties of a Parish Priest." The writer is instructing the priest how to baptize a child, and suddenly puts in: "But if you have so drunk that you are not sure of baptism in their proper order, what should you do? Don't say them, by any means. Wait till another time."

—Messrs. CASSELL, PETTER and GALPIN (London) have issued Part I. of a new biographical dictionary, in the pages of which they propose to give some account of the celebrities of all times and countries, including persons now alive. The editor is MR. SHOLTO DOUGLAS, and the list of contributors contains the names of MR. NAPIER, Col. TAYLOR, DR. DORAN, Sig. SAFFI and Prof. MCCARTHY.

—MR. H. W. HERRICK, whose illustrations to *Æsop's Fables* were so meritorious, is now engaged upon a series of scenes of country life for the *Riverside Magazine*. His "Trapping Blue Jays" will appear in the March number.

—A new drama, by MR. TOM TAYLOR, is in rehearsal at the New Holborn Theatre, to be followed by a burlesque by MR. W. S. GILBERT.

—Messrs. GEORGE ROUTLEDGE & SONS (London) announce a new edition of Lord LYTTON'S works at one shilling each.

—Miss LOUISA M. ALCOTT is in such infirm health that all literary labor has been interdicted by her physician.

—MR. THOMAS CARLYLE intends to pass the remainder of the Winter in Italy.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE HOUSE OF REFUGE, RANDALL'S ISLAND.

Synopsis of the Forty-Second Annual Report of the Managers of the Society for the Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents—Interesting Statistics.

We have before us the forty-second annual report of the managers of the Society for Reformation of Juvenile Delinquents submitted to the Legislature of the State and the Corporation of the City of New-York:

They report the whole number of children received into the House of Refuge since its opening in 1825 to be..... 11,608
That the number of children in the House on the 1st of January, 1866, was. 939
That there have been received during the year 1866..... 892
Total..... 1,831
That there have been indentured and discharged during the year..... 860—
And there remained in the house on the 1st January, 1867..... 971

The report states that the Board have had the opportunity to observe the satisfactory manner in which the rule regulating the subject of indentures and discharges, has operated on the general system. By this rule a discharge from custody is made to depend on a scale of grades as applied to the schools and to general conduct. The claims of the Board for the amount of positive good effected by this system of reform, is set forth at some length, and the design of the House of Refuge is thus characterized as enhancing the physical, moral and intellectual care and culture of its inmates, upon a basis which, while securing to the treasury the fruits of a well-arranged and limited system of labor, leaves a proper measure of time for instruction, recreation and rest. Day-by-day, with order, punctuality and zeal, the work goes on. "The disordered life is here made familiar with a new and important law of its being; the settled industry to which the listless wanderer or vagabond is introduced, is made the antidote of vicious thought and the appropriate discipline for a better career. To the license of the streets succeed the restraints of authority, and to a comparative decorum which everywhere prevails, is often in striking contrast to everything with which the lad has been acquainted. Thus he is placed under new conditions and furnished with new motives of conduct; he becomes inured to habits of industry, regular hours, and to the routine of a settled and well-ordered life, and that, in the only way in which he can be brought under their influence. All that a system can do to form its subjects to a habit of industry is done, while the elements of sound education are introduced to cooperate and to fill that important part, for which they are designed; and, above all, the duties of morality, the precepts of religion as a rule of life, and the saving truth of our common Christianity, are unceasingly and urgently pressed upon them in a manner adapted to their characters and understandings."

Speaking of the economy necessary in the face of increasing numbers and the necessities of the case generally, the report goes on to say:

"The expenditure is reduced within the narrowest limits of which prudence will admit. The food of our inmates is plain, and what we do not supply ourselves from the produce of our land is obtained at the lowest contract or market rates. Their garments are homely and of such texture as promises to be most useful, while they are prepared by ourselves—tailoring and the needle being extensively employed in the female department for the supply of both the male and female branches. Most of the daily routine of domestic duties is discharged by the inmates, and it will be at once seen that the services to be performed in the kitchen and laundry alone become serious, when pertaining to a household embracing nearly a thousand. In this way we avail ourselves of our resources at all practical points. The minimum necessary in the early part of the season, for general sanitary reasons, and particularly in view of the approaching pestilence, to revise, to a great degree, the drainage of the boys' house—a work involving much labor and some expendi ure. It was all performed by a detail from the larger boys."

The garden has been found a fruitful source of labor, at the same time one which affords to those engaged therein all the advantages of open-air exercise. A new branch of labor has been carried on successfully during the past year—the manufacture of hoop-skirts. This gives employment to about thirty-five of the smaller boys and seventy girls who were not formerly employed in the workshops. They have shown themselves well adapted to this light labor, rapidly acquiring the necessary degree of skill.

The increasing number of commi ments, which, it is stated, has swollen from 500 to 1,000 annually, operates unfavorably, not only in a financial point of view, but in the consequent over-crowding from inadequate accommodation. In the plan of reformation, the feature of isolation in the dormitories is considered indispensable, but such is the pressure upon the institution of late, that to some extent the Board—much against its will—has had to disregard this important condition. This fact gave the managers considerable uneasiness at the approach of cholera time, but they claim as the result of prudence and caution, faithful nursing and high medical skill in relation to this disease, that they were able to detect and report to the proper authority the first symptom of the malady. And that, although within a few hundred feet of the building on Ward's Island used as a cholera hospital, and which sometimes contained as many as forty cases, only a solitary death occurred from this disease among the children, and that this was the first case. There are other forms of disease, however, continues this report, which if once introduced among us—malignant typhus, for instance—might prove much less manageable.

Keeping this matter of overcrowding in view the Board calls for a new building. It is proposed to connect the boy's school and dining-halls with the main building at a point indicated by the rotunda. Thus, it is claimed, accommodation for about 200 more than the present number would be obtained, besides the advantage of establishing a union between halls with the dormitories of the same building—a matter very desirable during inclement weather.

"The space designed to be covered embraces about one hundred and fifty feet in length; it is not proposed to carry the basement and first floor over the entire distance, but to leave open spaces at both ends for free circulation of air, the grounds of the two divisions; thus the new structure would have form an extended gallery, or corridor, overhead. The proposed enlargement it is claimed would not only provide for a considerable increase of numbers, but would furnish a remedy against the evil above alluded to—viz., the present overcrowding of the dormitories—and also against those which arise from the constantly increasing requirements of our labor."

The report then goes on to show how successful has been its action in the providing of homes for the boys, and the successful working of the system of indenture. Upon the subject of finding fitting avocations for the inmates where they will be subject to the necessary restraint and receive adequate training to become useful members of society, the report says:

A SCHOOL-SHIP CALLED FOR.

"The idea has long been a favorite one with some of our members that a ship of discipline and instruction would, under proper regulations, form a valuable adjunct to the plans of Refuge. The suggestion has been already carried into practice in other places in connection with organizations similar to our own, and is considered so much of a success in Massachusetts, that another ship has lately been added to the one with which the experiment commenced.

We feel confident that many of these lads contain good material for such an enterprise; they are self-reliant, fearless, and quickly adapt themselves to new conditions; many of them are bright lads, of good parts, and make apt scholars; they are naturally, and from their previous history, adventurous, and would be rather attracted than repelled by the idea of a seafaring life. The necessary, probably, though needless cool the ardor of some, but the marine service would in due time receive the accession of a valuable body of seamen, well trained in the theoretical part of their duties, combined with a good deal of practical skill, and requiring only a short experience of rough water to put them well forward in their profession.

The present great want of our merchant service arises from the absence of a class of skillful and reliable seamen of native birth, and we believe this applies without distinction as to rank. It operates greatly to the public detriment, and calls loudly for a remedy. If an experiment of the nature of the one proposed should prove a success, there is at once presented a wide and constantly-growing field upon whose resources we can annually draw to supply the deficiency. In this the Board would not depart from the direct line of their work as that of a reformatory, but would only endeavor to secure, in a certain direction, the best interests of the State, and that in a manner entirely consonant with their main design. The chief question is not so much whether these boys can acquire a proper knowledge of the duties of a seafaring life—for that they will do readily—but whether the influences brought to bear upon them will so counteract those of early neglect and association as to make them reliable. We are of opinion that, to a very considerable extent, they will, particularly when we reflect that a ship always is, or ought to be, a school of discipline, and has often hitherto been regarded and used as such for the irregular and wayward. This particular phase of the question is also to be considered in the light of the present moral status of the service, and here we would say that, after the corrective agencies have been applied for a sufficient period, we think that these boys will take their place, as regards their moral standing and fitness, at least on a level with the majority of those whose duties they will be trained to discharge. We might advert to the fact that there are now at least two ships in commerce well commanded by those who were once subject to the authority of this Board, and who probably owe to the House of Refuge the best part of their moral training."

This proposition the managers press with emphasis upon the attention of the Legislature, deeming it to be one of great importance.

The close of the year leaves the Institution with an indebtedness of nearly $10,000. The appropriation of $119,922 36 for the last Legislature to pay off the debt existing at the close of 1865, relieved it at the time, but as it is stated, owing to the increase in numbers, together with the high cost of living, it was necessary to raise by temporary loans an amount sufficient to carry it through the year 1866.

The current expenses of the year were:

For the support of inmates.....	$114,705 44
For insurance, interest, and sending children West.....	4,886 20
Total.....	$119,891 64

To meet this amount there were applicable of the receipts for the year:

From the State Comptroller.....	$35,000 00
From the City Comptroller.....	11,000 00
Labor of the children.....	45,790 70
Theatre licenses, Board of Education, &c.....	17,992 30
	109,783 00
Deficiency.....	$9,808 64
Vis: Due the Treasurer.....	$7,275 10
Due the Library fund.....	2,533 54
	$9,808 64

STATISTICS.

The report of the Superintendant is a highly valuable document and merits the careful attention of the statistician. We regret that we have not space enough for it in detail. We give two of the tables: Table No. 3, showing the parentage of 750 children received during the year 1866, and table No. 10, showing the cost of support *per capita*.

Showing the Parentage of 750 children received during the year 1866.

Americans	100	Scotch	11
Irish	455	Portish	1
Germans	97	Jewish	1
English	33	Spanish	3
Africans	37	Welsh	1
French	10	Italians	1
Total			750

Showing the cost of support per capita, yearly and daily, in the different items of expense; also the gross cost, the earnings of the children, and the net cost to the State and City.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF INMATES, 922.

	Whole Amount.	Per Capita Annually.	Per Capita Daily.
Provisions	$48,821 04	$53 06	14.05
Clothing	23,672 47	25 67	7.
Salaries	18,033 33	19 61	5.03
Fuel, Light, Bedding, Furniture and Buildings and Repairs	18,339 55	19 91	5.04½
School and Chapel for Books and Stationery	1,105 51	1 20	.03½
All other items of Expense not included in the foregoing			
Gross Expenses	114,365 28	124 27	34.
Earnings by Children	45,762 60	49 41.8	13.04
Net Expenses	68,602 68	74 64	20.04

The report is exceedingly interesting throughout, and concludes with extracts of correspondence with the farmers and others to whom the children had been apprenticed, of a highly gratifying nature to the Board, as evidence of the success of their system of reform.

BILLIARDS.

Tournaments in Progress, and Matches in Prospective, &c., &c.

A tournament of amateur players is now being held at the rooms of MCDEVITT & WILLIAMS, No. 185 Sixth-avenue, the number of contestants being six, the games 500 points carroms, push-shot barred—played with 2¼ balls, on a full-sized, four-pocket Phelan & Collender table, and the prizes a valuable gold watch and a diamond ring. The playing occurs nightly in the large exhibition hall connected with MCDEVITT'S billiard-rooms, and thus far five out of the necessary fifteen games have been decided, excellent play having been shown in all.

The competitors are Messrs. H——, P——, W——, F——, W—— and H——, the favorites being the three first named.

To-night the tournament will be suspended in favor of the match for $500 between JOHN MCDEVITT and WILLIAM WICHE, the latter one of the most finished amateurs in the States. The game is to be 250 points, French carroms. With the view of limiting the number of spectators to the capacity of the hall complimentary tickets have been issued, which may be obtained of either contestant.

To-night also, the contest for the championship of Connecticut between HEWINS and WALLAHAN, takes place at Allyn Hall, Hartford; and on Thursday night, at Bunnistead Hall, Boston, WILLIAM A. TOBIN and EDWARD DARBEY are to contend in a similar game—four-ball carom, 1,000 points up—for the championship of Massachusetts and $500.

During the last four weeks a tournament has been in progress at the leading Philadelphia billiard-rooms, to determine the championship of Pennsylvania. But three games now remain to be played; and the competition having been virtually narrowed down to a question of superiority between VINTON EXTREMUS and EDMUND H. NELIUS—though six others are engaged—the decisive contest between the experts named will come off in Philadelphia on Thursday night next.

A match is in embryo between PIERRE CARME and JOHN MCDEVITT, which, if made, will embrace rather novel terms. CARME, it is reported, desires to play MCDEVITT a series of alternate French and American games for $500 a side, until either he wins an American game or MCDEVITT a French game.

JOSEPH DION, the champion billiard player, has leased Nordheimer's Music Hall, Montreal, and will open it as a billiard-room early in the Spring. The main room will have fourteen tables, and the minor room two.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Before Alderman McBrien.

WHITFIELD CASE, who keeps a meat market at No. 191 Third-street, caused the arrest of GEORGE HENDERSON, (colored,) by Officer MEAGHER, of the Sixth Precinct, on a charge of burglary. It appears that Mr. CASE'S cellar door was broken open, an entrance being effected through another door, and two coats, valued at $80, were stolen. The stolen property was found in possession of the prisoner, and he confessed his guilt. He was committed for trial in default of $1,000 bail. HENDERSON is 14 years of age, a native of Salem, N. J., and "does most anything for a living."

EXCISE CASES.

The following named persons were yesterday held to bail in the sum of $300 each for trial on charges of having violated the Excise Law: Leopold Leopold, 22 Mott; Charles Harris, 106 Cherry; Michael O'Malley, 268 West; Francis McLaughlin, 113 Mulberry; Edward Kunsdahl, 83 Bayard; Charles Seegner, 51 Bayard; Martin Reynolds, 67 James, and Henry Munsen, 12 Howard. At the same time twenty-six persons were assigned before the Court on charges of intoxication, the greater part of whom were arrested at the Jersey City ferry on Sunday. Nearly all of them were fined $10 each, a few being locked up in default of payment.

GRAND LARCENY.

Mrs. ROSA SMITH, of No. 221 William-street, appeared in Court yesterday morning and made oath that she had lost on the 20th of last September, one gold watch, twenty bed sheets, and other property of the value of $96. Officer MULLEN, of the Fourth Precinct, had arrested LILLIE BROWN on suspicion, and he stated that the latter had confessed the theft and pawning the property. She was accordingly held for trial; despite her plea of innocence. LILLIE is a native of England, aged 19, and a waiter.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

INSURANCE RATES ADVANCED.—The New-York Fire Underwriters met yesterday and passed the following resolutions, which will be found to effect a material advance in rates:

Resolved, That the rates on mercantile and storage risks (buildings and contents) be subjected to an advance regulated by the following standard, viz.: Risks now rated by standard surveys and classification at 40 cents to be advanced to 50 cents; 45 cents to 60 cents; 50 cents to 70; 60 at 75; 65 at 80; 70 at 85; 75 at 95; 80 at 100; 85 at 105; 90 at 115; 95 at 120; 100 at 125; 105 at 130, with the proportionate rate for participation policies.

Resolved, That 15 cents be added to the rate on all buildings for the absence of iron shutters from any part of any building; and the Committee on Surveys report as needing such protection, and such shutters shall be so made as to allow of their being opened from the outside, and to be affixed in a manner which shall meet the approval of the Committee on Surveys.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Board, the use of rolling iron doors and shutters on buildings is highly objectionable, and that the Committee on Surveys be directed to consider any building having such doors and shutters as being without shutters.

THE NEW POST-OFFICE.—The offer of the Post-office Commission, consisting of Mayor HOFFMAN, Postmaster KELLY, District-Attorney COURTENAY, JACKSON S. SCHULTZ, MOSES TAYLOR and CHAS. H. RUSSELL, to pay the sum of $15,000 to architects for plans for the new building in City Hall Park, has been approved by the Postmaster-General and Secretary of the Interior. The Commission will probably communicate this result to the architects in a day or two. It is stated that there will be fourteen awards in all. The highest is to be $5,000; the second, $3,000; the third, $2,000, and the fourth $1,000, and there will be five awards of $500 each, and five more of $300 each. Specifications and other matters pertaining to the affair will be before the public shortly, as soon as decided on by the Commission.

THE ORIENTAL SALOON CASE.—The examination in the case of GEORGE LEA, the alleged proprietor of the Oriental Saloon, at No. 652 Broadway, (upon which a descent was made by the Police at an early hour on Sunday morning, the 27th ult.) was yesterday taken up before Justice DODGE, at the Jefferson Market Police Court. Officers O'REILLY, BARTON and MURPHY, of the Fifteenth Precinct, testified that the place was well known to the authorities as a resort for thieves, prostitutes and disorderly persons, and that the Police were frequently called to quell disturbances that occurred in the saloon. The case was then adjourned until Wednesday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT WHISKY TRANSFER.—An order has been received by Collector SHOOK, of the Thirty-second Internal Revenue Collection District, to the effect that the privilege of withdrawing spirits from one general bonded warehouse to another warehouse shall not be allowed when both houses are in New-York or Brooklyn, unless special permission is given by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It has been discovered that important frauds take place during these transfers.

SNEAK THIEF.—Some time between the hours of 1 and 6 o'clock on Sunday morning the dwelling of CHARLES STEVENS, No. 89 Bedford-street, was entered by a sneak thief, who gained access through the front door, and then carried off a quantity of wearing apparel valued at $200 and $40 in United States Treasury notes, the property of Messrs. BENNY GLASSFORD, JAMES STEVENS and GEO. MALONEY. The rogue left no trace behind him, and the Ninth Precinct Police are somewhat at fault in their search.

FIRE IN THE BOWERY.—On Sunday evening, about 8 o'clock, as Officer DAVIS, of the Seventeenth Precinct, was on post, he discovered flames on the fourth floor of No. 297 Bowery, occupied as a photograph gallery by AUGUST GERNHARD. An examination of the premises resulted in finding the flames in the chemical store-room, and they were extinguished by the officer without an alarm. The damage to the stock and building amounted to $200; insured.

IMPORTANT WHISKY SEIZURE.—An important seizure of whisky has been made of the property of N. PIKE & Co., West Fourteenth-st, on suspicion that it was illegally withdrawn from bond. Two hundred barrels of this were at the distillery, and two hundred upon a lighter supposed to be on the way to the same establishment. One hundred and fifty barrels further were seized in another place, which is also supposed to belong to the same firm.

THE FIRE INSURANCE CONVENTION.—The fifth annual Convention of the National Board of Fire Underwriters will be held in this City on Wednesday, the 20th inst., at 10 A. M., in the rooms of the New-York Board of Fire Insurance Companies, No. 156 Broadway. Delegates to the Convention are requested to call at the rooms and register their names.

MISS ANNIE E. DICKINSON.—Miss DICKINSON delivers her lecture, "Something to Do," at the Cooper Institute, this evening. It has been received with great enthusiasm in other places, and those best acquainted with the lecturer's past efforts say it is fully equal to the best of them.

LECTURE ON IRELAND AND THE IRISH.—This evening Rev. H. M. GALLAHER, of Brooklyn, will deliver a lecture on "Ireland and the Irish" at the Baptist Church, Macdougal-street, opposite Vandam,

BROOKLYN NEWS.

BROOKLYN COMMON COUNCIL.—ALLEGED BRIBERY OF AN ALDERMAN.—PROTEST AGAINST A QUARANTINE AT CONEY ISLAND.—The Board met yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Alderman FISHER, the President, in the chair. After calling the roll, some dispute occurred in relation to the adoption of the minutes of the last meeting. Alderman O'KEEFE contended that those present had sprung a trap by adjourning in five minutes after the time fixed for meeting. Alderman HATHAWAY contended that the adjournment was proper, as a quorum of the members had failed to make their appearance at the proper hour. The minutes, after some further wrangling, were then approved, and business was proceeded with. Communications from Police Captains WADDY, of the Forty-second, and MULLEN of the Forty-fifth Precincts, were received, in which they requested that repairs be made to their station-houses. The subject was

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SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—FEB. 18.
Present—Justices Clerke and Ingraham.

The People vs. Lindsay—The defendant claims to be able to cure certain diseases, and has published and circulated notices from time to time which set forth what diseases he would undertake, &c. He was indicted and convicted under section 1 of chapter 74 of the Laws of 1866, which prohibits the publication of any notice, circular, book, picture, &c., offering to prescribe for any disease, &c. After the conviction the defendant moved in arrest of judgment, on the ground that the statute was unconstitutional, and that the publications charged in the indictment were not within the statute. The motion was denied, and the defendant appealed to this Court. Held, that the statute was constitutional; that the publications charged in the indictment were within the statute, and that the judgment must be affirmed. Judgment affirmed.

CASES ARGUED AT PREVIOUS TERM.

Tenney vs. Sherman; affirmed at this term. Ordered accordingly. Opinion by Ingraham, J.

Thos. A. Scott et al. vs. Wm. Vanderbilt et al.; motion for injunction denied, with $10 costs. Opinion by Ingraham, J.

Peter Lessen, Circuit Court Commissioner, vs. Wm. Morrison; motion for mandamus granted

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 1867.

Amusements this Evening.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, A DANGEROUS GAME. Characters by Messrs. J. W. Wallack, John Gilbert, Robinson, Holland, Young, Miss Madonne Henriques, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Miss Mary Barrett, Miss Fanny Green, Miss M. Scott.

WINTER GARDEN.
Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7 o'clock, MERCHANT OF VENICE. Characters by Edwin Booth, Mme. Methua Scheller, Mr. Barton Hill, Mr. J. Gotthold and a powerful cast.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7¾ o'clock, an original and grand spectacular Drama, entitled THE BLACK CROOK.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, STREETS OF NEW-YORK, with a cast embracing John K. Mortimore.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 8th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, PEGGY GREEN. Characters by Messrs. Hind, Baker, Gomersal, Lady Don and Mrs. Wilkins. Followed by KENILWORTH; or, YE QUEEN, YE EARLE AND YE MAYDENNE.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, between Bayard and Canal sts.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7 o'clock, LAST DAYS OF POMPEII, WEPT OF WISH-TON-WISH, MAN OF ALL WORK and ODER ICH SAGE. NIGHTS.

THEATRE FRANCAIS,
14th-st., near 6th-av.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, LE MEUTRIER DE THEODORE and UN FILLE TERRIBLE.

BARNUM'S NEW MUSEUM.
Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.
THIS AFTERNOON at 2, and EVENING at 7½, CHRISTIAN MARTYRS, A LARGE COLLECTION OF LIVING WILD ANIMALS, GIGANTIC CUMMING'S COLLECTION, Dwarf, Fat Boy, 200,000 Curiosities.

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14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, Magnificent Horse Comedy, EQUESTRIAN FAIRY SPECTACLE, SPRITE OF THE SILVER SHOWER, ACROBATIC FEATS AND GROUPINGS, HINDOO MIRACLES, &c.

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KELLY & LEON'S MINSTRELS,
No. 720 Broadway.
THIS EVENING, CINDER-LEON, DEMON DANCE, SONGS, DANCES, BURLESQUES, &c.

DODWORTH'S HALL,
Broadway, opposite 11th-street.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, M. HARTZ, THE ILLUSIONIST. MIRACULOUS ILLUSIONS; PROTEUS.

UNION HALL,
Broadway and 23d-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 7½ o'clock, BUNYAN TABLEAUX, largest panorama in the world, illustrating Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress.

STEINWAY HALL,
Nos. 71 and 73 East 14th-st.
THIS EVENING, commencing at 8 o'clock, MISS MARIA BRAISERD'S ANNUAL CONCERT, with Signor Severini, Signor Morini, Mr. A. H. Pease and Dr. Clare W. Beames, Conductor.

STUDIO BUILDINGS,
No. 51 West 10th-st.
THIS DAY—Dr. Haas' last Painting—FARRAGUT'S FLEET PASSING THE FORTS BELOW NEW-ORLEANS.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

We have advices by Ocean Telegraph to Feb. 18, giving a full account of the Fenian outbreak in Ireland, from the commencement to the close of the movement. The scene of the outbreak has become entirely tranquil, and the insurgent bands have been dispersed.

The famous ex-rebel privateer *Sumter* has been lost in the North Sea.

Dispatches from Madrid state that the King Consort has been exiled from Spain on the charge of plotting for the regency of the Kingdom.

Count BISMARCK will soon go to Stuttgart for the purpose of forming a new Zollverein.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday the bill providing for the election by the Senate of a Congressional Printer was taken up and passed. It fixes the salary of that officer at $4,000 per annum, and makes him directly responsible to Congress. It abolishes the office of Superintendent of Public Printing, an office heretofore appointed by the President. The bill goes to the House for its concurrence. The Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation Bill was taken up. The recommendation of the Finance Committee that an appropriation be made to pay our Minister to Portugal caused considerable debate, and the conduct of Minister HARVEY was fully canvassed. The amendment was finally adopted by 19 yeas to 14 nays, and the bill was finally passed. A recess was taken until 7 o'clock. At the evening session the Conference Committee appointed to consider the bill to regulate the tenure of office made a report. The House amendment to strike out the exception of Cabinet officers from those who cannot be removed without the consent of the Senate, was accepted after some debate. A bill appropriating $75,000 for the establishment of assay offices in Oregon, Utah and Montana, was passed. The Louisiana Bill was called up, but no action was taken on it.

In the House yesterday, under the call of States, a large number of bills and joint resolutions were introduced. At the proper time Mr. NOELL read the unfinished portion of his speech on "Suffrage to Women," the reading of which was commenced by him on Monday last. When he had concluded, his resolutions on the subject, were laid on the table. The bill providing for military government in the Southern States was received from the Senate with the amendments adopted by that body on Sunday morning. Mr. STEVENS moved to non-concur in the amendments, and he, together with Mr. BOUTWELL and Mr. STOKES, spoke against them. Messrs. BINGHAM, FARNSWORTH and SCHENCK addressed the House in favor of the bill as amended. After the debate had proceeded some time Mr. BLAINE moved the previous question, which was seconded by the House. The main question was then ordered by a vote of 103 yeas to 60 nays. Mr. RANDALL moved to lay the whole subject on the table, which was negatived by a strictly party vote of 108 nays to 40 yeas. Mr. STEVENS having the close of the debate, yielded a portion of his time to various members, who addressed the House until the hour for taking a recess arrived. At the evening session the debate was renewed, an agreement having been made that a vote on the bill should not be taken until this morning. A marked sensation was created by the debate, the galleries being crowded with spectators. The division among the Republican members, some of whom were in favor of the amendment adopted by the Senate, while others were opposed to it, added to the interest of the discussion. At a late hour the House adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Special Committee of the Maine Legislature on the Liquor Law has reported an amendatory bill. It provides for the first violation of the law an additional penalty of imprisonment in jail for thirty days, and for the second conviction sixty days. Common sellers are to be imprisoned three months on the first conviction and four months on the second. There is no alternative penalty.

Three distinct shocks of an earthquake were felt at San Diego, California, on the 1st inst.

The Secretary of War has decided that every bounty claimant shall be regarded has having served to the end of the war who enlisted for three years and was mustered out with the organization because the services of the latter were no longer required, and, therefore, entitled to additional bounty.

Among the sentences in Essex County Court yesterday, at Newark, N. J., was that of THOMPSON, the negro burglar, who shot Mrs. AARON WARD, wounding her while robbing her house on New-Year's night; he was sentenced to thirty years in the State Prison.

The ice in the Maumee River, opposite Toledo, broke up yesterday and gorged against a bridge. The water in the river rose rapidly, inundating a considerable portion of the city along the banks. The bridge was eventually carried away. Great damage is reported to shipping and other property.

Brevet Major-Gen. JEFF. C. DAVIS has been relieved of the command of the Department of Kentucky, and ordered to join the Twenty-third Regiment of Infantry, of which he is Colonel, at Fort Brisco, Idaho. Permission to delay *en route* for three months was granted.

Gov. HUMPHREYS, of Mississippi, in a special message communicating to the Legislature the Southern plan for reconstruction, said: "I have no recommendation to make on these propositions, as I disapprove them entirely."

The Boston City Missionary Society commenced its semi-centennial anniversary on Sunday evening. Gov. BULLOCK, Father CLEVELAND, who is ninety-four years of age, and others delivered addresses.

Gen. SHERIDAN visited Columbus, Ohio, yesterday, on an invitation extended to him by a Joint Committee of the State Legislature. The Governor has arranged a reception in his honor.

LOCAL NEWS.

The Spirit of Missions is the title of an excellent religious periodical, edited by Rev. A. T. TWING, No. 17 Bible House, New-York City. It is edited for the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, by the Secretaries and General Agents of the two Committees and of the Freedmen's Commission. A new department for children has recently been added, called the "Department of the Young Soldiers of the Cross." The number for February is replete with excellent religious reading matter. It is proposed to raise a "Domestic Missionary Army," to consist of one hundred thousand of the young soldiers of Christ. This is a noble and philanthropic enterprise, and we cordially commend it to every one who feels prompted to engage in every good word and work.

The New-York Life and Trust Company, the Union Trust Company and the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, were yesterday ordered by the Supreme Court, sitting at General Term, to furnish their annual accounts forthwith. By statute these accounts must be forthcoming in January of each year, but none have been received by the Court up to this time. The Chamberlain of the City is also requested to furnish the Court with an annual statement of account of moneys held by him belonging to suitors and others, in the Supreme Court.

The case of the United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Co. against the Commissioners of Taxes, &c., of the City of New-York, has been decided by the General Term of the Supreme Court in favor of the City. In making the decision the Court say they do not see how the taxation of this Company can in any sense be deemed an interference with the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and no good cause is shown why there should be any interference with the assessment, as made by the Commissioners of Taxes. The opinion of the Court was unanimous.

The Brooklyn Common Council last evening adopted resolutions requesting the representatives from Kings County to use all honorable means in their power to prevent the establishment of a Quarantine station on Staten Island. The Committee appointed to investigate the charge of alleged bribery against an Alderman, for the transfer of a railroad track from Greene to Gates-avenue, reported that after a thorough examination they found the charge to be unfounded. The Committee was thereupon discharged.

The General Term of the Supreme Court in the case of HICKSON SARLES *vs.* The Mayor of the City, &c., has decided that goods which were destroyed or taken away or lost to the owner in any way, in consequence of the acts of the rioters in July, 1863, may be sued for and their value recovered of the City. Some of the principles of this decision are in conflict with the decisions of the other Courts in the City.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, the Grand Jury for the term was impanneled, with CHARLES J. LIVINGSTON for foreman. The Judge charged them briefly on the points of law usually named on such occasions. The trial of CHARLES B. MANUEL, for murder, could not proceed for want of a Petit Jury.

Prof. HENRY DRAPER delivered a lecture last evening in the chapel of Rutgers' Institute to a highly interested audience. The subject was the "Spectrum Analysis." The lecture was illustrated by images thrown on the screen from a camera and illuminated by the magnesium light.

Prof. LOUIS AGASSIZ delivered a lecture last evening at Cooper Institute, being the fourth of a series delivered under the auspices of the Association for the Advancement of Science and Art. The subject was "The Aquatic Animals of the Amazon."

The Jubilee of the Sunday-school connected with the Madison avenue Baptist Church was held last evening. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. WESTON, Pastor, and Rev. J. HYATT SMITH, of Williamsburgh.

The General Term have affirmed the trial and conviction of JEREMIAH O'BRIEN, found guilty of murder. His counsel intimate that they will take it to the Court of Appeals.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday, the case of JAMES TIERNAY was called, but owing to counsel not being ready to proceed, the case and the Court were adjourned till Thursday.

The Supreme Court, General Term, met yesterday and rendered a large number of decisions, some of them important to the public. They have adjourned to Thursday next.

The evidence in relation to affairs in the New-York Custom-house, which was stolen from the Congressional Committee, has been recovered.

The Secretary of the Interior agrees with Postmaster KELLY to pay $15,000 to the architects for the designs of the new Post-office in New-York.

Mr. GEORGE JONES and Mr. THOMAS S. ALEXANDER, were yesterday admitted, by the Supreme Court, as attorneys and counsellors at law.

Neither Boards of the Common Council met yesterday.

A very moderate business was transacted in Produce and Merchandise yesterday, at drooping prices in most instances. Freights were moderately active.

Trade dragged heavily yesterday at the National Drove Yards, at One Hundredth-street. The number of Beef Cattle there for the weekly supply is 1,663. Drovers and brokers tried hard to obtain last week's prices. But purchasers were few and exceedingly indifferent about securing their usual supply at the prices demanded. There was a good number of extras, for which no offers could be obtained during all the former part of the day. The price for such as were sold was about 18c. ₱ lb. Prime bullocks, 16c.@16½c. ₱ lb., net weight. Common to Good, 14c.@15c. ₱ lb. There were hundreds of old, rough oxen and poor, thin steers that would not bring more than 10c.@12c. ₱ lb., net weight. There is no real improvement in the Cow trade. The prices range all the way from $40 for the poorest, to $130 for the best milkers. Trade in calves is only moderate. The best fat calves sell for 13c.@13½c. ₱ lb., live weight. Sheep are light, and sales a trifle quicker than they were last week. Extras sell for 8c. ₱ lb., live weight. Common to good sheep, 6c.@7c. ₱ lb., live weight. A few prime lots brought 7¼c. ₱ lb. Swine are heavy, but selling slowly at 7¾c.@8c. ₱ lb., live weight, and 9¾c.@10c. dressed, for the best corn-fed hogs. Market pigs 7¾c., live weight, and 10¼c. ₱ lb., dressed.

UNEXPECTED.—NAPOLEON'S Army Reorganization scheme, which has met with such general opposition, found a supporter, the principle involved at least, in a quarter he probably least expected. It is no less a personage than M. THIERS, of whom a correspondent in the *L'International*, details a conversation, in which the Ex-Minister of LOUIS PHILIPPE strongly expresses himself in favor of the augmentation of the military forces of France, to be ready at any moment to cope successfully with Germany; for, said he, "Prussia will very soon represent the whole of Germany." This report may very likely prove to be correct. It is so very natural for M. THIERS to hold such an opinion. No man is more jealous of the political and international supremacy of France. His cherished idea is the Rhine frontier for the French, and about twenty-six years ago, at the head of the French Ministry, he came very near to blows with the Germans on account of the Rhine. Troops were marching thither from either side to attack and defend. And had not LOUIS PHILIPPE suddenly backed down and dismissed his plucky Minister, no one knows what might have happened. It is no injustice to presume that he still regrets having been hindered at the time from executing his grand project of conquest. And his regret must be the keener on seeing a great, vigorous military power arise in Germany that could so easily overcome the trained veterans of Austria. Hence he is likely to favor the increase of the army, though he may oppose some of the details of the proposed plan. But, being the leader of the opposition, may not his position work a change in that also?

Politics and Business.

The opponents of the reconstruction measures of Congress are positive in their prophecies of business disaster as a result of the position to which the South is reduced. The St. Louis *Republican*, one of the most trustworthy of the class, expresses itself upon the subject thus:

"Let all who are forecasting the chances for business in 1867 take special account of the political elements which may affect it. Never was caution in that direction more necessary than now. The measures which are finding favor with Congress are the political ruin of the South, and they invoke with it the commercial ruin of that section of the country. These measures will do more to send down a blight on the fields of the South in 1867 than did in 1866 a disastrous season almost without a parallel. There can be no prosperity at the South under the withering touch of such legislation. If these measures pass—even if the menace of them is not speedily withdrawn—let no man look to the South expecting to find paying customers there. And if there is no prosperity at the South, will there be prosperity at the North? What reflecting man does not anticipate the answer to such a question?

"The political aspect warrants the expectation that we shall have a year of more of commercial gloom, depression and disaster. Prudent men will—as all should—take warning, and be setting their houses in order. They are now at the mercy of men, who, in aiming at the destruction of constitutional government and republican institutions, would laugh at the ruin of the whole mercantile class as the merest *bagatelle*."

The effect of the *Republican's* statement is weakened by its closing remark, which reveals more partisan feeling than harmonizes with a cool business judgment.

It must be admitted nevertheless that the general purport of the warning is justified by probabilities. Whether the Sherman plan of reconstruction becomes law or not, the effect of the recent action of the House will be extremely prejudicial to Southern trade and industry. We consider the Sherman plan preferable to the rejection of all plans, and infinitely preferable to the adoption of the Military Government Bill, with no provision for reorganizing State Governments. We accept it because in existing circumstances the choice of the country is confined to evils, and Senator SHERMAN'S measure appears to be the least of the evils now before Congress. Almost any form of reconstruction, provided it operate early, would be better than the indefinite continuance of the present condition of affairs. Besides, the terms offered by the Senate bill are neither cruel nor unjust. Unpalatable they must be to the South; but they perpetrate no flagrant wrong, and involve few of the perils that would have attended Mr. STEVENS' original scheme. Some time will elapse, however, before reconstruction will be consummated, and events render certain martial law in the interim. For a considerable period, at least, military authority will be supreme in the South.

Now, military authority is not favorable to industry or enterprise. It may insure order, and withal, perhaps, substantial justice. It may be expected to prevent the outrages which now occur, and to inspire confidence in the minds of loyal citizens. So far it will do good. But it will throw no clear light upon the future of the States. It will not reconcile planters and merchants, who were dragged into the rebellion, to the prospect of negro supremacy. It will afford them no guarantee against disfranchisement and arbitrary penalties under the Constitution which delegates elected by universal suffrage, black and white, are to frame; nor will it protect them from possible contingencies of legislation pending the completion of the reconstruction process. All these considerations are inimical to cotton planting, sugar making, corn growing, and to commerce generally. They will be sources of constant uneasiness, of vague apprehensions, and a want of trust in the immediate future which must cripple every form of industry, and paralyze trade as effectually if not as suddenly or violently as ordinary panic.

Therefore, we consider caution preeminently necessary in every branch of business, and especially in branches which are in any manner dependent upon Southern crops or Southern custom. In the end, we trust, all will be right. And having failed to obtain the particular adjustment we have desired, we are content to avail ourselves of Senator SHERMAN'S method, and to await patiently the ultimate result it is intended to accomplish. But let no man be deceived. The road before the South is rough, and hard, and long; and while its people are on the road there can be nothing like steady, solid prosperity there or anywhere in the country. Speculators may try to force up prices on the hypothesis that trouble is over and the Union restored. But no sensible importer, or manufacturer, or merchant, or investor will permit himself to be cheated into neglect of the need for caution that grows out of the yet unfinished work. Fools may rush into deep water, and the world will not miss them if they happen to be drowned. Prudent business men will prefer to remain on dry, solid ground, and to regulate their transactions with a distinct and continual reference to the condition of the Southern States. If manufacturers, their production may be less; if merchants, their sales may be smaller, than would be desirable in different circumstances. They will have the satisfaction of knowing, however, that their position is comparatively safe, and that their course is calculated to divest the period of depression of its most formidable dangers.

DISFRANCHISEMENT IN TENNESSEE.—HOW IT WORKS.—We take from a cotemporary the following fact, which nicely illustrates the operation of the disfranchising principle in Tennessee. It would not be difficult, we believe, to find hundreds of similar anomalies under the working of the system in force in that State:

"A firm in Nashville, one of the largest and most respectable mercantile houses in the West, paying annually many thousand dollars of taxes, has, including clerks, six persons employed in the concern besides the porter, who is a negro. The latter is now the only one of the whole concern who is allowed a vote under the present Brownlow Constitution. The point of the joke is, that the negro was the bitterest rebel of all, and was an officer's servant in the late rebel army, and when fighting by his master's side, he was the third man over the ramparts of Fort Pillow, where he fell like an avenging thunderbolt upon the negroes—who so gallantly surrendered that stronghold."

Improvements in the School Law as Against the Overthrow of the System.

The great weakness of the arguments which are advanced by the promoters of the new school plan for this City is that they are not based upon any complaints of present shortcomings from those chiefly interested in the welfare of the young. New-York is not slow to find out and to talk loudly of the derelictions of its public officers; but it has not latterly talked of any great derelictions on the part of those who administer the educational methods now in force.

There have been a few cases where investigation has been for, and where trustees have been charged with abuses of their power; but, viewed as a whole, the body of Trustees have not been so charged, nor has anything like the proportion of offences been alleged against them that have been alleged against most other official bodies. And more than this, the reasons brought forward for a change are so exceedingly vague that no legislature could act upon them without grave suspicion not only of extreme haste but of extreme credulity.

If it be desired to improve the educational facilities of New-York, there is ample room for all the labor which can be brought to bear upon them. Instead of pulling the present system to pieces, there is rather good cause that it should be perfected. Already our public schools are overcrowded. The school-houses should be more numerous and more spacious. They should be spread over a wider space. That an increase in the number is called for proves their efficiency and popularity. No loose accusations can disprove this fact, nor would any careful philosophic observer doubt its significance.

If there be a field which the philanthropist would have alloted to him, and which he may cultivate to his heart's content, let him look into the educational needs of a City like New-York. If he be not only a philanthropist, but a statesman as well, he will the better appreciate its extent. There are thousands upon thousands of children whose present condition is as deplorable as their probable future is full of moral terror. The great want of these unfortunate little ones is training. Without that they are in danger of being lost. They seek education; their often wretched parents ask it for them. If the trustees in the different Wards were in many cases unfaithful or reckless administrators of their trust, should we not have heard of it? The desire for education is great—far greater than many believe among the *adult* poor of New-York, and they are content that what they do not possess themselves shall be gained by their children under a system that is known to be good and for which they have respect.

There is, no doubt, reform needed. There is wanted accommodation for every child who goes or is taken to school. One great work of cities, especially of one of so mixed a population as this City, is the reclamation of the evil-disposed, or those who have been led into temptation and have not resisted. But a no less work is the guarding the young from influences which have already worked so much evil. One of the prime safeguards of these young is early training, and in that the poorest and the least protected should be allowed, *first* of all, to participate. The gentlemen who urge a new school system for the City, began at the wrong end of their task. They are destructives merely, where they should be anxious that what has done so much shall be preserved, *and added to*. The present system is capable of expansion; let it be expanded. The improvements which it shows, year by year, are *undeniable*; let them be increased by all possible means, and through those—like the Superintendant and his colaborers by whom they have been brought about. It is *more* facilities for public education, not a new Board of Education, that is asked for by the City of New-York.

A New Expedition to the Polar Sea.

The French, it appears, are becoming aspirants to maritime distinction, especially in perilous Arctic voyages of exploration.

Americans and Englishmen have done their full share toward what has been accomplished in this respect. Our countrymen particularly, have earned imperishable fame. The names of KANE and HAYES as Arctic explorers, will not be forgotten so long as an unknown inch remains around the North Pole, and even were all that region once fully explored, they will yet be remembered as pioneers in the grand enterprise.

Some time last year an expedition was projected by way of the island of Spitzbergen, by Dr. PETERMANN, of Gotha, but on account of some untoward obstacle and the threatening aspect of political affairs in Germany intervening, it did not sail. Now a Frenchman, GUSTAVE LAMBERT, proposes to explore the open Polar Sea, first discovered by Dr. KANE and afterward visited by Dr. HAYES. But he has concluded to try a new route and enter, if possible, this open sheet of water at the North Pole from the other side, through Behring's Straits. In a paper which he lately presented to the French Geographical Society, he goes largely into details, drawing extensively upon his own personal experience among the icy fields of the Northern waters, to prove that his projected route may ultimately be shown to be the best. Calls are now made upon capitalists and others interested in maritime pursuits to contribute means to enable the expedition to fit out and start. We hope this will be done, for anything tending to increase our knowledge of the globe we live on is a benefit to mankind.

GOING TO BEGIN.—The frost and snow having gone, Judge WHITING is, it is said, making preparations to clean the streets. The Mayor, in fact, has suggested that the work should begin. This is good news. Let us make a suggestion—that the "preparations" do not extend over many days. The vast resources of the contractor, and his still vaster purpose, can just now—this very day—be made to fill the City with gratitude just in the ratio that he empties it of filth. Besides, there has been a long rest, a pleasant holiday from the toils of the shovel and the broom, not to say just a little profit. So let the carts come forth, and the streets be cleaned.

As the "preparations" are commenced, let us hope that the work will be duly chronicled for the public delectation. Once or twice the police have been requested to report what streets were not cleaned in accordance with the contract. In view of the prospect before us, let the process be repeated, for it will be certain that the return of omissions will show a blank. In these days of opening spring, of soft roads, of accumulated dirt, it will be a consolation to those who find fault to know that the law has been obeyed to the full extent, and that the intentions of the gentleman who has bound himself to obey it have been fulfilled.

A Sneak Thief in a Corner.

Driven into close quarters, the editor of the *Tribune* throws the responsibility of attempting to get our Test Oath dispatch upon a subordinate, as he did in 1861 in the "Just Once" card. The challenge to prove by men in the *Tribune's* employ what we asserted of this false-pretense attempt is ignored, and in place of answer another dodge is tried. Mr. G. W. SMALLEY (not the *Tribune*) says: "You charge the *Tribune* with forging a telegram." Mr. SMALLEY is mistaken. We have made no such charge. We declined to accept the telegram as authority, but have not said that it was a forgery—merely that it was a statement affecting our business not made with the approval or even the knowledge of any person authorized to speak for the TIMES. It was doubtless a *bona fide* telegram from Washington; but the man who sent it knew he had no right to do so from our agent there. So Mr. G. W. SMALLEY is answered on this point; he sets up an accusation never made, and triumphantly knocks down his man of straw by producing a copy of the dispatch.

As to our charge that the *Tribune* (meaning, of course, the employes of that concern,) invented an agreement, Mr. SMALLEY kindly saves us the trouble of proving it by doing so himself, in what he offers as an answer. It seems that as late as Sunday last he was stirred up to look into the Test Oath matter, and got an explanation from "JAMES RANKIN YOUNG, Chief Washington Correspondent New-York *Tribune*:" (we like to be particular in names and titles.) This high-resounding-titled gentleman, in regard to the dispatch to send to TIMES for slips, says:

"Sent said dispatch at instance of Mr. PAINTER, of Philadelphia *Inquirer*, who stated to me that he was the owner of the only full copy of the Test Oath decision taken at time of its delivery. He had engaged exclusively the only stenographer who was present, and who took full notes. It was from Mr. PAINTER the *Herald* and TIMES got their copies of decision. Early in the day on which the decision was delivered, he consented to give me a copy on the same condition he gave the *Herald* and TIMES. I thought the Associated Press report would be sufficient. It was not until between 10 and 11 o'clock the same night that I found the Associated Press account was not as full as I desired, and I applied to Mr. PAINTER for a copy. He then told me that I could either go to the telegraph office here, where the copy was on file, and have it telegraphed entire, or it would be better to have the New-York office get a slip from the TIMES office, the same as the *Herald*, and thus reduce the tolls to each paper. Before I sent my dispatch, to make sure of matters, I, accompanied by Mr. PAINTER, went to the TIMES office here to see its correspondent and inform him of what I was going to do, but found that he had gone home."

There it is, all but the name and title, which we have not space to repeat. Mr. PAINTER certifies that this statement is correct. So, it seems that between 10 and 11 o'clock, the *Tribune*, just as we asserted, found it was likely to be beaten; that its correspondent went, not to Mr. CROUNSE, our agent, but to Mr. PAINTER, who had no more right to dispose of our dispatch than of our pocket-book; that Mr. PAINTER did not furnish him a copy, but sent him to the telegraph-office, where it was on file with dozens of other private dispatches; but remembering that the telegraph agent had no right to give it, and certainly would not give it, the *Tribune* agent concluded it "would be better to get a slip from the *Times* office, the same as the *Herald*." There is the point—"the same as the *Herald*." That paper got its slips in an honest way; its agent did not send here an unauthorized telegram, but went to the proper man, our agent in Washington, and made an open arrangement; had the *Tribune* done so, it would have been cheerfully furnished with the news. One further proof from the *Tribune's* own witness, and we are done. Mr. YOUNG says:

"*Before* I sent my dispatch, to make sure of matters, I, accompanied by Mr. PAINTER, went to the TIMES office here (in Washington) to see its correspondent, and inform him of what I was going to do, *but found that he had gone home.*"

It seems that Mr. YOUNG knew the right course. He knew it was his duty to arrange with Mr. CROUNSE and no one else. He tried to see him, but did not; and *then* he had the assurance to send the dispatch which was used to induce us to give the *Tribune* what did not belong to it. That dispatch says:

"If you want the decision of the Supreme Court in full, send to TIMES office for slips by an arrangement made at this office."

We charged that no such arrangement was made; that the *Tribune* invented the statement in order to get the dispatch. The *Tribune* convicts itself; it acknowledges that *it did not even see* the only man in Washington who could have disposed of our property, but that it impudently sent a dispatch in the nature of an order that had not a shadow of authority. If there is any comfort to be got from admitting that the *Tribune* invented an "arrangement" instead of an "agreement," the concern may have the benefit of the phrase. But we repeat (and now hope to quit the subject) this statement:

The *Tribune*, represented as all papers are by its employes, *did* attempt to swindle the TIMES out of an important piece of news, by sending to us a dispatch calculated to make us believe that our agent had given the *Tribune* permission to get the news from us; that the *Tribune* agent did this on purpose to deceive, since he had tried to see our agent, but could not; that when he sent his dispatch he knew it was at the very least a constructive fraud; that when he said, "by an arrangement at this office," he deliberately attempted to deceive us into the belief that such arrangement was with our agent; that by his own admission he never made any arrangement at all with any agent, and the whole thing was a barefaced attempt at theft. The *Tribune* has wriggled, as we expected, but not out of its dilemma.

—We have just received the following note from our Washington agent, in regard to this matter:

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

With reference to Mr. G. W. SMALLEY'S letter in today's *Tribune*, regarding the Test Oath decision, it is proper that I make the following statement, which I trust may aid in clearing up the misunderstandings that still seem to surround the subject. When the Supreme Court delivered their decision in the Milligan *habeas-corpus* case, the Judges forbade any newspaper report thereof being made, and the correspondents here were obliged to wait over two weeks for the official printed report of the decision, and then pay the large fee of ten dollars for each printed copy. This action caused much severe comment among the journalists here, and on the day these copies were delivered Mr. PAINTER, of the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, and myself, saw Mr. SUTTON, chief of the official Senate stenographic corps, and entered into an arrangement with him, that when the Test Oath decisions were rendered he should go into Court and ask, in our behalf, that he be allowed to report them. This the Court reluctantly consented to, and on condition that the report should be accompanied by a statement that it was not the official report of the opinion. The report was accordingly made by Mr. SUTTON'S most competent associate, Mr. D. F. MURPHY. Soon after it was made, Mr. PAINTER informed Mr. SUTTON that his paper would not require the report in full, and that he need not make a copy for him. Mr. SUTTON immediately notified me of the fact, and said he should consider me the sole owner of the report, and would look to me alone for payment. This I promptly agreed to, and Mr. SUTTON then further remarked that he would refer all applications for copies to me. A few moments later, Mr. BENSON, in behalf of the *Herald*, applied to Mr. MURPHY for a copy, stating that he had Mr. PAINTER'S consent thereto. Mr. MURPHY informed him that the report belonged to me, and on his application I acceded to his request. No one else applied to me, nor did I hear of the efforts of Mr. YOUNG, of the *Tribune*, to obtain a copy until the next day. I submit that the question as to the ownership of the report is conclusively settled by the accompanying note from Mr. SUTTON, and the receipt of Mr. MURPHY, showing who paid for it. The correspondent of the *Tribune*, Mr. YOUNG, was misled by the assurance of Mr. PAINTER that he still controlled the report, when the fact was that by his own act he had entirely relinquished all interest in it.

Very truly, yours, L. L. CROUNSE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18, 1867.

L. L. Crounse, Esq., Correspondent New-York Times:

DEAR SIR: On the day on which the decisions in the Missouri and Arkansas cases were made in the Supreme Court of the United States, various applications were made to me for copies, but my invariable answer was that you had the sole control of it, and that it would be dishonorable in me to allow copies to be sold to others. Mr. BENSON informed me that he had spoken to Mr. MURPHY to report it for him, but I did not conceive that his application would justify a breach of faith with you, and he was referred to you on the subject. Mr. MURPHY being a counsellor of that Court, attends to that branch of our business; but he made no promise to furnish to anybody else than you.

Respectfully, R. SUTTON,
Reporter United States Senate.

[COPY.]

Received Feb. 2, 1867, of L. L. CROUSE, $75 in full for reporting decisions of Supreme Court in Test Oath cases, Jan. 14, 1867.

Signed, D. F. MURPHY.
(Revenue stamp canceled.)

WASHINGTON.

Military Government for the Southern States—The Senate Amendments in the House—The Debate not Concluded—Tenure of Office—National Banks—Petition from Utah.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

On the assembling of the House this morning the greatest excitement was evinced, not only on the floor, but in the galleries, which were crowded to overflowing at an early hour, in expectation of the action on the Senate amendments to the Martial Law Bill. Immediately after the reading of the journal, it was received from the Senate, and went to the Speaker's table. The utmost confusion prevailed on the floor, and the members were gathered about in squads, evidently canvasing on the engrossing subject of the day. At 2 o'clock, Mr. STEVENS moved to take up the business on the Speaker's table, which was agreed to, and the work commenced. He then moved to non-concur in the Senate amendments, and asked for a Committee of Conference; and yielded the first fifteen minutes of the time alloted to him by the rules to Mr. BOUTWELL, who, in his usual forcible manner, argued that the Senate substitute would result disastrously to the country, and opposed it vehemently as a proposal to reconstruct the South through the agency of disloyal men. Mr. STOKES, of Tennessee, next took the floor, and, speaking for the Southern Unionists, denounced the substitute as worthless and inefficient as a measure for their protection. Mr. STEVENS then resumed, and, as was to be expected, denounced all who opposed the original bill and favored the substitute, as enemies to the loyal men of the South. He appealed to the passions of his hearers, by alluding to the Southern people as the murderers of men killed during the war, and at the close of his remarks gave notice that at four o'clock he would call the previous question. Mr. BLAINE, in favor of the substitute, spoke with great force and clearness for ten minutes, and being entitled to the floor for an hour longer, divided it between Messrs. WILSON, of Iowa; BINGHAM, FARNSWORTH, SCHENCK, GARFIELD, BAKER and THAYER, on the same side, who all made strong speeches, after which he demanded the previous question on a motion to concur, and Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, moved to lay the amendment on the table, which would carry the bill with it and effectually kill it. On the latter motion the ayes and noes were called, resulting in a strict party vote—ayes, 40; noes, 118. The independence asserted by Messrs. WILSON, SCHENCK, GARFIELD and FARNSWORTH startled the friends of the original bill, and from the moment they opened in favor of the Senate substitute it was evident that the fate of the original bill was sealed.

On ordering the main question, the ayes and noes were called, resulting—ayes 103, and noes 60.

Pending the final vote, Mr. HOTCHKISS spoke for ten minutes in favor of the original bill, and Mr. STEVENS, having charge of the remaining hour, allowed Mr. BROMWELL, of Illinois, to use the rest of the time up to the recess. During the recess the Democrats held a caucus in the Military Commission-room, at which they were nearly all present, and decided to act in accordance with the example set for them by Senator BEVERDY JOHNSON in voting for modifying amendments, and against the bill on its final passage, but also agreed to filibuster provided their demands for time to debate were not acceded to satisfactorily. Mr. DONNELLY, of Minnesota, first got the floor against the bill, in the evening session, and was followed by Mr. LE BLOND, who stated that he accepted the ten minutes allotted to him not by his master, but the master of the opposition, Mr. STEVENS, gratefully, and proceeded in a characteristic Democratic argument against the bill. From the fact that Mr. STEVENS was seen at this juncture very busily lobbying among the Democrats, it was feared that he was making arrangements to assist them in their filibustering, and thereby kill the bill and force the House into non-concurrence. The fact that Mr. ELDRIDGE was allowed by him to follow LE BLOND seemed to confirm this suspicion. His remarks were more extremely coppery than those of any of his predecessors; and he plainly threatened that the passage of the bill, even as amended by the Senate, would be the tocsin of actual war, for liberty-loving people would have no resort left but to fight, and the country would be plunged into headlong ruin. The extraordinary defection developed by the debate, and the informal caucusing held on the floor, among STEVEN'S followers, made it necessary that he should delay final action for a period of time, during which he expected to be able to lash the stragglers back into the ranks.

gress to-day but the United States Supreme Court while those bodies were in session. The Indians were in full costume and attracted more than ordinary attention.

AMENDMENTS TO THE TARIFF BILL.

It is known that the House in December last passed an Amendatory Tariff Bill, which at the present session was extensively amended by the Senate. The amendments of the Senate were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means some days ago, and to-night they reported a large number of amendments to the Senate amendments, restoring to a great extent the original House rates. The Committee reduce the duty on salt from 24 cents and 30 cents as fixed by the Senate to 16 and 22 cents a bushel, and on linseed to 20 cents a bushel, and advance the duty on steel 1¼ cents over the Senate rates, with corresponding advances on many articles of hardware. Wool and woolens are advanced to correspond with the House bill. The prohibition of the importation of fire-crackers is stricken out, as is also the section relating to the drawback on shipbuilding, agricultural and other implements. The clause with regard to damaged goods and under valuation is also stricken out. The ninth section, adding freight and commissions to invoice values is repealed. The duty is advanced on sal soda, caustic and carbonates of soda, while those on spelter and silk goods are greatly beyond the Senate rates. The rates of duties are mainly retained on iron but advanced on some articles and reduced on others. The Senate proposes to levy a duty of 8, 11 and 12 cents on scrap iron. The Committee recommend 5 and 10. Cotton rates are somewhat advanced over those of the Senate's. Ivory is stricken out of the free list, and the privilege that the Pacific Railroad Company may use foreign iron instead of American, as now provided by law, is denied.

THE MILITARY RECONSTRUCTION BILL.

Calculations have been made as to the vote on the Reconstruction Bill; one is that forty-five Republicans and thirty-five Democrats, or eighty in all, will vote against and eighty-two Republicans in favor of it. Others say the House is equally divided. It is therefore safe to say from present appearances that the majority either way will be very small.

SPANISH QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

A circular relative to some modifications of the very stringent quarantine regulations hitherto enforced by the Spanish Government has been received at the Department of State from the United States Legation at Madrid. The circular says "the sanitary condition of Europe and of some portions of America has recently improved, and as it is no longer necessary to continue stringent health regulations, the Queen may God protect her—has deigned to order that vessels from France, England, Italy, Denmark, the United States, Hamburg, Holland, Sweden and Norway shall perform only three days' quarantine in the ports of Carthagena, Cadiz and Sanbander, designated for that purpose, where the Marine Boards of Health are charged to examine their certificates and crew list to know if the vessels have touched at other ports where infectious diseases prevail, or if deaths have occurred on board, and to see that all the legal requisites have been complied with."

ARRIVAL OF SURRATT.

A steamer believed to be the *Scotland*, arrived off the Navy Yard this evening, with JOHN H. SURRATT on board.

A guard has been stationed at the wharf to prevent communication with those on board, excepting by high official permission.

A PETITION FROM UTAH.

The Legislative Assembly of Utah have petitioned Congress to repeal the act of 1862, providing for the punishment of polygamy in the Territory. In support of their petition they say that there has not been a single case tried under it, and that as the Constitution of the United States prohibits any interference with religion, they have the right to practice polygamy as a part of their creed, that institution being of divine origin. They also assert that polyamy has had a great moral influence, saving the people from prostitution and kindred evils.

BUSINESS AT THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has just received from the State Land Office at Lansing, Mich., a list of selections by that State under the act approved July 2, 1862, donating public lands to the States and Territories, which may provide colleges for the benefit of agricultural and mechanic arts, amounting in the aggregate to 8,640 acres.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

The following nominations were confirmed to-day by the Senate, in executive session: Milton W. Worden, to be Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Eighth District of Ohio; David Turner, to be Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Ninth District of Indiana; Norman Eddy, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the Ninth District of Indiana; Jesse J. Alexander, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the Seventh District of Indiana.

BUSINESS IN THE SUPREME COURT.

In the United States Supreme Court, the following decisions were rendered to-day.

No. 131—Thompson, plaintiff in error vs. Bowie, error to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Justice DAVIS delivered the opinion of the Court in this case, reversing the judgment below, and remanding the cause, with instructions *a venire facias de novo*. The action was on promissory notes of Hon. THOMAS F. BOWIE of Maryland, and the defence was that the notes were given for a gaming consideration—among other evidence the defendant being made directly to prove his allegation. The Court permitted proof that on the date of the notes the defendant was drunk, and that when drunk he was addicted to gaming, and that the payee of the notes was the keeper of a gambling-house in Washington, where the notes were made. At this time the verdict was for the defendant, and the plaintiff appealed to this Court, where it is held that such evidence should not have been admitted.

Mr. Justice GRIER dissents, holding that the defence was one of alleged fraud in obtaining the notes, and that such evidence was admissable in that view of the case.

No. 103. The United States, appellants, *vs.* Weed & Blydenburgh.—This was a case of prize in the Court below, and the property, certain sugar and molasses, was restored to the claimants. The trial was in the District Court of New-Orleans. The Court now affirms the judgment below, although holding that the case was not of prize but of forfeiture under the statutes, but believing that no case of forfeiture would be made on the evidence, if remanded for proceedings on the instance side of the Court.

No. 412. Ba es *vs.* Brown, error to the Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois.—Mr. Justice SWAYNE delivered the opinion of the Court affirming the judgment below.

No. 123. Robbins, plaintiff in error, *vs.* City of Chicago, error to the Circuit Court of the same District.—Mr. Justice CLIFFORD delivered the opinion of the Court, affirming the judgment below.

No. 597. Merchants' Insurance Company, appellants, *vs.* Ritchie, appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Massachusetts.—Mr. Chief Justice CHASE delivered the opinion of the Court, dismissing the appeal for want of jurisdiction.

No. 140. Lessee of Croxoll, plaintiff in error, *vs.* Steward Reality.—Argument commenced, and will consume a day or two.

No. 141 follows.

ARMY BULLETIN.

Brevet Major J. B. MYRICK, First Lieutenant Third United States Artillery, in addition to his duties as acting Judge-Advocate of the Department of the South, has been assigned to the duties of Adjutant-General of that Department during the temporary absence of Brevet Capt. J. W. CLOUD, First Lieutenant in the Sixth Infantry.

General Orders No. 14, dated Headquarters of the South, Charleston, Feb. 14, 1867, provides that all enlisted men within that Department now undergoing confinement by the sentence of general Courts-martial for desertion, will be released from confinement when they shall have been confined six months.

Brevet Major-Gen. GRIFFIN, commanding the District of Texas, has issued a general order dated at Galveston on the 16th inst., which is as follows:

"Agreeably with the spirit of the second Article of War and Executive Order dated Washington, D. C., Nov. 16, 1862, an orderly observance of the Sabbath day by the officers and men in the military service throughout this District, is hereby enjoined. No public business will be transacted on that day at the military offices, unless as a measure of strict necessity, and when detriment would prejudice the interest of the service."

NAVY GAZETTE.

Lieut.-Commander John A. Howell has been detached from the *De Soto*, to take effect from the 1st of next May, and granted leave of absence; Second Assistant Engineer Wm. E. Sibley, detached from special duty at New-York, and ordered to the *Susquehanna*; Passed Assistant Engineer J. J. Bingham, from the *Pawnee*, and granted sick leave of absence; Surgeon Delevan Bloodgood, from the *Vermont*, and ordered to duty on the *Jamestown*; Second Assistant Engineer Wm. H. Depart, detached from the *Susquehanna*, and ordered to the *Pawnee*; Lieut.-Commander W. P. McCann, has been ordered to the Naval Rendezvous, at Philadelphia. Lieut.-Commander Samuel Morgan has been ordered to command the *Wakusha*. Surgeon J. M. E. Masters has been ordered to the *Vermont*. Sailmaker William M. Maulls has been ordered to the *Monongahela*. Acting Volunteer Lieut. James R. Wheeler has been honorably discharged. Act ng First Assistant Engineer Daniel L. King has been placed on waiting orders. Commander A. D. Harrell has been placed on the retired list. The order assigning Midshipman Henry C. Wisner to the *Tacony* has been revoked, and he has been placed on sick leave of absence.

Liquor-Dealers in Boston.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The State Constabulary prosecuted forty-nine liquor-dealers of this city last week.

MEXICAN NEWS.

Complete Evacuation of the Mexican Capital by the French Troops.

The Whole Expeditionary Corps on the March to Vera Cruz.

Maximilian Prepared to Defend His Capital.

NEW-ORLEANS, Monday, Feb. 18.

Advices have been received from Orizaba, Mexico, up to the 11th inst.

The final and complete evacuation of the Capital by the French forces took place on the 6th inst., and the whole expeditionary corps was on the road to Vera Cruz.

Gen. MARQUEZ, at the head of 10,000 of MAXIMILIAN's Mexican troops, had been intrusted with the defence of the city of Mexico.

The Imperialists claimed that they had an army of 20,000 men well-armed.

The Imperial Government had levied a tax of one per cent. on all capital.

MAXIMILIAN wears the Mexican uniform and reviews the troops in the streets of the city. The enthusiasm of the inhabitants for the Emperor has been renewed.

The Movements of the French Expeditionary Corps.

NEW-ORLEANS, Monday, Feb. 18.

The French gunboat *Bauvet*, three days and a half from Vera Cruz, has arrived at the bar.

She reports that the French transports *Fanna*, *Leona* and *Var* were at Vera Cruz, and that before the end of the month all the French troops will have left Mexico.

Mexican correspondence (no date given) says that the French army, with BAZAINE at its head, evacuated Mexico on the 6th. The capture of Zacatecas and Aqua Calientes by MIRAMON is confirmed by this correspondent, who says that JUAREZ narrowly escaped capture.

The Liberals Everywhere Victorious—Miramon Wounded and Routed.

GALVESTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The *Bulletin* has Brownsville dates of the 13th inst.

Maj.-Gen. LEW. WALLACE arrived here yesterday, but left immediately for Cincinnati.

The Liberals are reported to be everywhere victorious.

ESCOBEDO and TREVINO had fought two battles with MIRAMON, who, in the last fight, was shot through both legs, and whose army was utterly routed.

Zacatecas had been reoccupied by the Liberals.

The only forces between JUAREZ and the City of Mexico were 2,000 men, under CASTILLO.

MAXIMILIAN was at a hacienda outside the city, and seemed to be paying no attention to affairs of state.

Passage of the Negro Suffrage Bill by the Tennessee Senate.

NASHVILLE, Monday, Feb. 18.

The Senate has passed the bill conferring suffrage on negroes. A motion to strike out the clause preventing them from serving on juries, or holding office, was rejected by a tie vote.

The bill having previously passed the House, it is now law, unless reconsidered, and that event is not probable.

Boston Missionary Society Anniversary.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The Boston City Missionary Society commenced its semi-centennial anniversary last evening. Gov. BULLOCK, Father CLEVELAND, who is ninety-four years of age, and others, delivered addresses.

SECRET HISTORY OF THE WAR.

The Relief of Fort Pickens—Interesting Statement by Gen. Harvey Brown.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The extract in your paper of the 18th inst., from Mr. HEADLEY's forthcoming work under the above caption, contains statements so unfounded in fact, so unjust to the Commanders of the army and navy at that time at Fort Pickens, and evinces such unpardonable carelessness of research that, as the Commander of Fort Pickens, I beg the privilege of noticing it.

He says: "The troops in the Atlantic Company's steamer (it should read the 'steamer *Atlantic*') arrived just *before him*, (PORTER,) and had got *close to the beach*, ready to be landed."

The troops on board the *Atlantic* arrived off Pensacola on the evening of *the 16th of April*. The *Powhatan* did not arrive until about *noon of the 17th*.

The commanding officer, and a portion of his command, were landed by the boats of Capts. ADAMS and POOR immediately after their arrival, and the fort was relieved about 2 o'clock on the morning of the 17th, several hours before *Capt. Porter made his appearance*.

Gen. MEIGS *did* intercept PORTER and *did* prevent his entering, but not because he *wished him to cover the landing*; for all the infantry and a part of the horses of the battery were landed before PORTER's arrival, by the zealous coöperation and able assistance of Capts. ADAMS and POOR, who commanded two ships of war there.

Mr. HEADLEY goes on to say that "he, (PORTER,) proceeded at once to cover the landing and in *half an hour Fort Pickens was safe in our possession.*" * * *"Thus the most important fort in the South was kept in our possession.*

Had the rebels succeeded in getting into it (*which they would have done that night, but for this opportune arrival,*) Pensacola would have proved a greater thorn in our side than either Charleston or Wilmington."

Mr. HEADLEY goes on to declare that Capt. PORTER "could have gone into Pensacola," anxiously "desired to do so, but the army officer at Fort Pickens protested against it, urging as a reason that the fort was not in a condition to resist the fire of BRAGG's Batteries," which PORTER *knew he could silence* * * "it was a great disappointment to him not to be able to fire the place when he knew how easily it could have been done, but he would not attempt it with the army and navy commanders, (both his seniors,) opposed to it. He has no doubt since regretted, a hundred times, that he paid attention to such timid counsels and did not take the responsibility."

Now, I fearlessly assert that Capt. PORTER could *not* have entered Pensacola Harbor at that time, that the attempt would have been followed by the certain destruction of the vessel, the probable loss of the crew, and the jeopardizing the safety of Fort Pickens, and that if he could have entered, no valuable results would have been followed. He would only have entered into a trap, in which he could not stay, and from which he could not extricate himself or be extricated.

Capt. ADAMS, the senior naval commander, had nothing to say or do in the case, PORTER's command being independent of him. *I* advised the whole measure, and the responsibility rests on me alone, but I will show that I was sustained not only by Capt. MEIGS, the United States Engineer officer at that time, but *by Capt. Porter himself.*

FORT PICKENS, April 17, 1861.

MY DEAR CAPTAIN: From the wretched condition of the defences of this place and the very *elaborate ranges* of the batteries put up on the opposite side, it is desirable that we put off the day of collision as long as possible.

If PORTER runs the gauntlet now, a collision is inevitable, and we shall suffer the most.

I, too, doubt the possibility of his escaping, I am told that Fort McRee alone mounts 100 guns. Would it not be best to stop him? I think so. Yours, truly,

(Signed) HARVEY BROWN.

Capt. MEIGS.

Note by Capt. MEIGS:

"I handed the original of the above letter to Capt. PORTER, having succeeded in intercepting the *Powhatan*, which was coming in under English colors, and having English coal, and evidence it as follows to free him from responsibility."

U. S. STEAMER POWHATAN, April 17, 1861.

Capt. Porter, Commanding Powhatan, off Pensacola:

SIR: Under the circumstances detailed in the within letter, and the necessity of avoiding collision, while in the act of landing *stores, horses and artillery, I feel it my duty to request you postponing entering the harbor for the present.* My connection with the expedition, my knowledge of the views and intentions of the President, justify me in making this request with almost the force of an order from the President.

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I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

M. C. MEIGS,

Captain of Engineers, Chief Engineer, Military Department of Florida.

Now I ask any intelligent reader if Capt. PORTER was stopped by the timid counsels of the commanders of the army and navy? Was it not on the representation of the confidential agent of the President; and would this great have put the case so strongly "if his opinions had not coincided with mine?" And I further ask, if one word was said to warrant Mr. HEADLEY in giving the covering of the landing of the troops as the cause of delay?

U. S. STEAMER POWHATAN, }
OFF PENSACOLA, April 18, 1861. }

DEAR SIR: In looking carefully over the orders of the President in relation to my entering the harbor, I find them so important that they have no margin for any contingency that may arise.

Your letter to Capt. MEIGS, of the Thirteenth, requesting me not to go in and draw the fire on you before you had time to prepare, is quite sufficient to satisfy me that any such course on my part would be very indiscreet; but to satisfy the authorities in Washington I would be obliged to you if you would address me a letter more fully on the subject, and state as near as you can the actual condition and the time required to make up deficiencies.

If you think that in two days time you will be ready for me to make the attempt, please notify me, for after that time I shall have to run the gauntlet by moonlight, which would no doubt be a good time for an exhibition; but darkness would suit better for a piece of strategy.

I know that I am here to give you aid and comfort, and to keep any of the enemy from crossing in boats on the inside; but while I will do all I can in the way of aid, I cannot do much in cutting off boats where I now am.

Will you please make such suggestions as your good sense will dictate, and I will endeavor to follow them as near as I can.

I remain, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) DAVID D. PORTER.

Col. H. BROWN, commanding Fort Pickens, Florida.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA, }
April 19, 1861. }

Your letter of the 18th inst. is received, and I cannot perhaps better answer it than by giving extracts of dispatches I am preparing for Washington, viz:

"Aware of the desire of the Government that a ship should be placed there, (in the harbor) and knowing I was opposing the wishes of Capt. MEIGS, nothing but the profound sense of its necessity would have induced interference on my part; but believing that if the actual state of this post was known no such instructions would have been given, I did not hesitate to express my views and wishes in the case. As I have already reported to you I found this post in the worst possible condition for hostilities, the batteries out of order, some of the largest and most important guns dismounted, the necessary traverses and other protection for the troops unprepared, the garrison deficient, the *subsistence nearly exhausted*, the ammunition (except powder) *not sufficient in important articles*, the force for manning the guns, engineers, quartermaster and ordnance tools and implements, and the post in a complete state of confusion; all requiring the labor of every man in it. The steamer *Atlantic* lying here with large supplies of indispensable stores which can only (without extreme inconvenience, involving great time and labor) be landed, *within range of the guns of Fort McRee*; and the vital importance of getting these stores *where* rendered, in my judgment, delay in encountering hostilities of the utmost importance, and any act of ours provoking it, or I may say assuredly and certainly, causing it, to be *premature and unwise.*" [I supposed when I wrote Capt. MEIGS, and for some time after, that my application was displeasing to him.]

"If you think that in *two days* time you (I) will be ready for me to make the attempt, please notify me."

I know that in a week I cannot get ready so as to warrant a voluntary provoking of hostilities, and how much longer I cannot tell, but in *two days* I can be but in little better condition than I now am.

And I can only repeat that, if you desire to enter before I am prepared, in my judgment, the movement will be unwise and deeply injurious to the best interests of the service.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

HARVEY BROWN,

(Signed) Colonel Commanding.

Capt. DAVID D. PORTER, commanding ship *Powhatan*.

Capt. PORTER remained at anchor off the fort for several weeks, and had full opportunity and facility for ascertaining the correctness of my statements, of its condition and wants; he did not enter, or make any attempt to enter the harbor, and never afterward communicated to me a desire or purpose to do so.

The *Powhatan* was a side-wheel wooden vessel, which had engines, machinery and boilers principally exposed, as is usual in such vessels. The enemy had from eight to twelve thousand men, two strong forts, (Barancas and McRae,) mounting some one hundred guns, and from six to ten earthen batteries, mounting heavy guns, and extending a distance of three miles, all commanding the channel, so that the *Powhatan* would have been exposed to the fire of these batteries along the whole distance.

Subsequent events proved that those batteries could, without being entirely silenced, (except Fort McRae, which was,) stand the fire for several hours of Fort Pickens, all our batteries, and of two large ships of war; in which one of the ships was so much injured as to be withdrawn from action. Is it then probable, indeed, is it possible, that Capt. PORTER could, with his inferior vessel, unsupported, or only supported by the imperfect fire of the fort, then nearly unarmed, have silenced these numerous batteries while running the gauntlet through them. I leave the answer with naval officers acquainted with the vessel and the harbor.

Now, all the information I have here given was accessible to Mr. HEADLEY if he would have taken the trouble to consult the archives of the army and navy, and had applied to me for it; and it would seem that in giving a history of the relief of Fort Pickens no more proper person could have been applied to than he who was charged with its duties and responsibilities.

If this extract is a fair specimen of the rest of the book, *Farragut and our Naval Commanders* may be a very readable romance, but is certainly a very unreliable history.

Brevet Major-General U. S. A.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 16, 1867.

* It took me two months of constant hard labor with my whole command.

Gen. Phil. Sheridan in Pittsburgh—His Views of What is Needed by the South.

Gen. SHERIDAN was in Pittsburgh, Penn., on Friday. An editor of the Pittsburgh *Gazette* called upon him, and thus states the result of the interview:

"In conversation the General is free, suave and intelligent. Singular as it may seem, he is eminently and bitterly opposed to war; thinks that civil rule should at all times be preferred to military rule, but not under all circumstances. From his conversation we inferred that his diagnosis of the Southern patient indicates the sword; that an excrescence remains after the surgery and treatment through which they have already gone that can only be safely removed by the knife. The great misfortune of the Southerner is that he believes a disparity exists in favor of Southern intelligence. He has been taught that "one rebel did not equal ten Yankees in battle," but his faith in the superiority of his intellect remains. While acknowledging his cause hopelessly defeated he maintains its justice. This is the Southerner's great and mischievous error, and it tends more than all else to delay restoration.

Wide-spread poverty, destitution and desolation pervades the South. Pictures of the suffering in some sections which have reached us, are no creations of imagination to stir the North to an exercise of charity. They are true. Gaunt poverty, suffering, want for the actual necessities of life, are with many of the Southern people. Nearly all of the plantations in Louisiana are mortgaged to their full value, and if thrown upon the market would not discharge the incumbrances with which they are burdened. To raise any money by increased liens is therefore impossible. The Southern people have not, as yet, been properly educated in the Northern and Western idea of immigration. They look upon the immigrant, not in the proper light, regarding him only as a mudsill or laborer. They must learn to sub-divide their large plantations, so that one family may live comfortably and grow rich on a hundred acres of land, whereas in days gone by a single individual or family lorded it over three, four, five or six thousand acres, of which vast estate but a small proportion was under cultivation. All this must be changed. The South must have roads, school-houses, churches and factories. She must get them as Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota have acquired them—by filling up her waste lands with an intelligent and industrious yeomanry, no matter of what nativity. With these her capacities cannot be estimated. The oligarchs of the South must inaugurate the philosophy, skill and enterprise of the people of the North, ere they can vie with the North in wealth and solid progress. The General referred to other matters which have escaped our memory."

A New Excitement at St. Albans, Vt.—Liquor Seizures.

An intense excitement, it is stated, is now reigning in St. Albans, only second to that produced by the advent of the rebel raiders in 1864. A correspondent says: "It originated in an attempt of the State officials to enforce the liquor laws of Vermont. These officials have been on the alert for some time, and on Wednesday seized a quantity of the 'ardent' at a billiard-saloon and placed it in the lock-up to await the making out of the necessary papers to insure its spilling in the street. While it was thus disposed of, some of the liquor-dealers, by way of strategy, went and informed a customs officer that there was a quantity of smuggled liquor in the lock-up, and forthwith that official gathered his forces and seized the fluid which was awaiting confiscation under the State laws. This rifled the State officials, and a wholesale raid upon every saloon and hotel was the consequence, the keeper of each hotel and saloon being required to give bonds in the sum of $1,000 not to open his house to any outsider whatever. The consequence of this was that when the usual influx of strangers to the village occurred on Thursday night, they had not where to lay their heads, and no place to procure a meal even, except at the eating-room of the depot. One of the "peculiar" laws of Vermont is that private houses cannot receive and entertain any stranger for compensation, as that would be an infringement of the rights of hotels, so the unfortunates who desired to remain in the village were compelled to huddle together in the depot when night came, and two or three freight cars were metamorphosed into barracks for their accommodation. The situation was unchanged up to last accounts. Every hotel is closed, villagers are excited and business is almost at a standstill.

Testimonial to William Lloyd Garrison.

The Executive Committee having in charge the subscriptions for the national testimonial to WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON, of which EX-GOV. ANDREW of Massachusetts is chairman, announce that the amount thus far subscribed as a token of respect "for a life of singular and unselfish consecration to the noblest object," reaches over $30,000; but that the list is necessarily imperfect, as very many of the friends of the measure, in all parts of the country, have not made their reports. The subscriptions range from $1 to $500 each, the number of those from $20 to $100 being quite large. The following persons contributed $500 each: Gerrit Smith, Peterboro', N. Y.; Francis G. Shaw and R. Warren Weston, New-York; Samuel May, William E. Coffin, John M. Forbes and William F. Weld, Boston; Eben D. Draper, Milford; John Bertram, Salem; Thomas Mott and Williams Sellers & Co., Philadelphia; other contributors are Samuel Hooper, of Massachusetts, $300; Charles Sumner, $100; James Speed, of Kentucky, $100; Henry Wilson, $25; and Gov. Bullock, Lieut.-Gov. Claflin, Congressmen Ames and John M. Forbes, $100 each. Contributions have been received also from Great Britain, where 27 persons give in the aggregate £262. John Bright gives £6, and Mrs. Elizabeth P. Nichol, of Edinburgh, £100. There is one subscription of £20, the other English subscriptions ranging from £1 to £10.

United States Coins for the Paris Exhibition.

The coins intended by the United States Government for the Paris Exhibition, were finished at the Philadelphia Mint on Thursday. They consist of sets in duplicate of each of the coins of the country —gold, silver, nickel and bronze. The gold coins are double eagles, eagles, half eagles, three dollars, two and a half and one dollar pieces. The silver coins are a dollar, half dollar, quarter, dime, half dime and three cent pieces. The nickel are five and three cent pieces, and the bronze two and one cent. All these were made in polished dies. In addition to the fineness of their manufacture, for the exquisite finish of which they are remarkable, each coin is a mirror in itself, as perfect as plate glass. They are all dated the current year, and are similar to the coins now used, excepting the five cent nickel, which has not the rays which in last year's coinage radiated from the figure five. The coins are in a velvet case, of blue ground and crimson border, forming, with a white satin cover, the national colors. The coins are sunk in the blue satin, and covered by heavy plate glass. On the inside of the case are printed the words, "Coinage of the United States," beautifully bordered by a fringe of ferns and immortelles. Below the arched scroll of words is an eagle standing on a shield.

AMUSEMENTS.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.—Lady DON made her first appearance at this establishment last evening, and was received with unquestionable demonstrations of acceptance and favor. She appeared in the farce of "*Peggy Green*" and the burlesque of "Kenilworth." The *first piece* may be dismissed with few words. *It is intended* to pave the way for the burlesque. The *latter* is unusually good. The puns are fresh and pungent, and the jokes are lively and jocular. The situations—if we may use the word—are ludicrous, and the action is quick, spirited and to the point. *Lady* DON sustains the principal character, and does *so* with a graceful ability which has not been surpassed on our stage for many a day. She dresses splendidly, but does not swagger; sings often and well without throwing herself into the arms of the pargeting. She is, in fact, a burlesque actress who deserves to succeed, and will undoubtedly do so from the spirit of her acting, and the moderation she displays in a branch of business where hitherto the tendency has been toward excess.

The Company at the New-York Theatre is admirably adapted for the production of works of this agreeable character. It is indeed the most versatile company in the City. Each of its members can dance and sing. "Kenilworth" in consequence received full justice, and awakened abundant applause. Mr. GOMERSAL for varied and successful effort in every department enumerated by Polonius deserves the greatest possible praise. He was admirable. So also, in a less prominent part, was Mrs. GOMERSAL. The introduction of the Bolero from "Les Vespers Siciliennes," displayed the lady's ability as a vocalist, but was out of place. Mr. J. DUNN made his first appearance at this theatre as *Trevitian*, and in a dry, quiet way, contributed very largely to the general success. Mr. MARK SMITH, *as Queen Elizabeth* was of course immense, especially on his entrance, when he gave an imitation of Mme. RISTORI in the same character. Throughout he maintained the best of animation, and kept the audience also animated. Miss SADDIE COLE, a rising and talented young actress, was seen to decided advantage as *Sir Walter Raleigh*. The piece has been put on the stage with some care, and will undoubtedly enjoy a run.

MISS BRAINARD'S CONCERT.—Miss BRAINARD, who is a favorite with all portions of the public, and is esteemed as a fine singer in every department of music, takes her annual benefit concert at Steinway Hall to-night. The lady will give several of her best pieces and will receive the support of Mr. THEODORE THOMAS and his fine orchestra. She will also be assisted in the vocal department by Signor SEVERINI, Signor STRINI, Mr. A. H. PEASE, and Dr. CLARE W. BEAMES at the piano.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—"The Streets of New-York," an old favorite with our theatre-going people, was produced last night with absolute success at the Olympic Theatre. There can be no use in stating that the house was crowded; of course it was, it always will be when this piece is played; but for the simple pleasure of the announcement we will put on record the fact that the jamboree crowd that ever filled the Olympic fairly packed the place from lights to top. The cast was in some respects an improvement on the original—MORTIMER's "Badger" is admirable. The part plays itself, and a bad actor could not well fail to have the sympathy of the house from first to last; as it is, with a thoroughly good actor, full of life, spirit, intelligent, and up in all the "tricks and manners" of the part, the *role* was the favorite from the start. ROBSON's "Puffy" is very funny. The man has a comical voice, a comical face, a comical make-up and a comical *role*, so that on the whole it is fair to infer that he gave a tolerably comical performance. In addition to this comical combination brother *Puffy* sang a neat little ditty about a man Boil, who dabbled in oil, and on the whole *Puffy* was a great hit. JORDAN's *Dan* was fairly conceived and pleasantly given. COLLINS made a beautiful boot-black, and the rest of the cast was of the best. Miss KATE NEWTON was welcomed heartily and carried the audience through all her trials and finally to her triumph. The piece is well put on the stage. The incidental dances are excellent, full of popular points, and the songs, fights and solos of various nature and degree with which the play abounds, made the evening thoroughly enjoyable. The "Streets of New-York," as played at the Olympic, will necessarily have a run. The curtain was "rung up" after each act, in response to most peremptory demands, and every indication of perfect success attended the representation. It will be repeated to-night and every night this week.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Subscriptions for the pending season of Italian Opera are now received at the box-office of the Academy of Music, where, also, private boxes, and tickets for the Bal d'Opera can be had.

FRATERNITY COURSE.—Mrs. ELIZABETH CADY STANTON lectures to-night in the Brooklyn Academy of Music. However we or others may disagree with the orator of the evening, no one will deny that she is a lady of rare talent, moral excellence and extensive culture, to whose pleasing eloquence the people of any city may listen with gratification.

CONCERT AT STEINWAY HALL.—Miss MARIA BRAINERD, assisted by Mess. SEVERINI, STRINI and PEASE, will give a grand concert this evening at Steinway Hall. Mr. THEODORE THOMAS will conduct the orchestra and Dr. BEAMES the concert generally.

The Express Business.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, Feb. 9.

To the Executive Board, Merchants' Union Express Company:

In common with many others, I was induced by your representations and assurances to become a subscriber to the stock of your company. We were told that a payment of ten or at most fifteen per cent. of the subscription would be sufficient to equip and establish the organization, and thenceforth we were assured of profit, secured to us from the business which we alone controlled, and would contribute to the company thus formed.

Thus far our obligations have been fully and promptly met. We have responded to your calls already in excess of the amount indicated by you originally as the sum required for the legitimate purposes of your organization. We have cheerfully given you a monopoly of all the carrying business by express controlled by us, and that too, at rates much larger, in some cases, than we might have had the work done for by the old companies, and all for the sake of redeeming our obligations expressed or implied, by the act of becoming stockholders with you.

Having thus acted in good faith, and in the hope and belief that you were actuated by like impulses, it should not excite surprise on your part if your circular of the 26th suggests to our minds—for there are many stockholders who agree with me in this—doubts. Where we have heretofore repeased implicit confidence, surely we had a right to expect that in any communication of an explanatory or apologetic character you might feel called upon to address us, frankness should not be lacking.

The failure in your recent circular to meet this just expectation suggests the propriety of a few inquiries touching the administration of the trust committed to your care, its present condition and future prospects, and these we now submit, with the hope that we will be favored with explicit responses thereto. We ask:

First—With reference to the capital stock, on how much of that stock have calls been made or assessed? If on less than twenty millions, why? And what disposition has been made, or is proposed to be made of the stock not assessed, if any there be?

An answer to the question is desirable, because it has been alleged, and is by some stockholders believed, that a portion of the capital stock has been assigned to various parties, as fully paid up, and for a nominal consideration; while it is by others feared that a portion of the stock is withheld from assessment to be taken up hereafter by yourselves, in case the enterprise should prove a success.

Second—What proportion of the stock is delinquent on calls heretofore made, and in what amount? What effort has been made to collect it?

Third—What is the whole amount received by you on account of the calls made up to seventeen per cent., and how has the money been invested? How much for real estate? How much for equipment, and what amount on hand?

Fourth.—You commenced operations Oct. 1. What were your gross receipts in the quarter ending Dec. 31, and what your expenditures for conducting the business in that time?

In your recent circular, as in previous ones, you indulge in epithets toward your competitors in business, and strangely, too, refer to them as to an uncertain quantity, affecting the problem to be solved by you, viz.: The point at which certificates might with propriety be issued. You finally say, on this point, "that the time has arrived when all the requirements of our own Company, and the utmost opposition of the old monopolies can be calculated with sufficient certainty." Will you favor us with the results of such a calculation, as affecting the question of profits from an enterprise?

It is known that we control a very large amount of business; but it is plain that our competitors will have a voice in fixing the rates at which it is to be transacted, and they may, and probably will, be able to prevent the realization of profit by us. It is the result of such calculations on this point that we seek. You can readily understand that if profits are uncertain, further calls, even after the certificates have been issued, may be confidently relied on. So that, after all, the "old monopolies" may command the situation, notwithstanding your earnest and oft-repeated denunciation of them.

You say that the calls just announced will place the stock "beyond any *reasonable liability*" to further assessment. Will you explain what you mean by the term "reasonable liability," in that connection? We suppose the stock to be liable for any and all assessments that may be levied on it by the proper authorities of the Company, without regard to amount—the latter being regulated, in a great measure, by the "old monopolies" in their administration of the question of rates to be charged on the business done.

When on the subject of liability, will it be too much for us to ask of you that you give us some information as to the manner in which you expect our stockholders to avoid, or evade, the personal liability that attaches to [illegible] in joint stock associations organized as ours is, under the laws of the State of New-York?

The law in express terms makes all such stockholders liable to the extent of their pecuniary responsibility, and they are liable to be pounced upon at any time, when outside of their own State, as nonresident debtors, for the obligations of your Company, and liable at home when any one chooses to sue them, instead of the President or chief man of the firm. This would amount to only an annoyance, so long as the firm continued solvent and able to meet its obligations. But prudent men will not close their eyes to the fact that there are in the business many and great chances for a different contingency.

It has been claimed by the old companies that their success is due to the personal supervision of the details of their business, given by their leading stockholders and managers, and that, in giving this supervision, they were actuated by a knowledge of the risk they incurred every hour in the day and night, and a sense of their responsibility. If this be true, (and it seems entirely reasonable,) does it not effectually invalidate a fact in our organization, to which we have hitherto felicitated ourselves, viz., that our stock is held in small amounts, or not exceeding $10,000 by any one person—because stock thus subdivided fail to make it an object with any one of requisite ability to devote his time and attention to a supervision of the details of the business? Is there, or can there be management contemporly without knowledge or experience in the business, and dependent entirely upon the hired services of men whose interest in our behalf begins and ends with the business day, for which they are paid, is it possible that we shall successfully compete (without taking care of our own property and business) with those who in working for their companies are working directly for themselves, and in protection of their own liability and responsibility, being the holders of interests in the business that fully justify them in so doing? We presume you have thought of this—will you favor us with your views on this subject?

It may be well for you to understand that the pains taken by you to impress stockholders with the favorable conditions of the affairs of the Company, without supporting your declarations, if true, are you reign readily have done, or misunderstood, leaves us to determine whether you would, as this critical period of our Company's existence, allow a simple lack of intimation to interfere with so plain a duty.

It would be very pleasant under other circumstances to read, as we do in your circular, "Every obstacle in our path, thus far, has been put out of the way." You don't tell us what obstacles have been removed, and we still see in place the only obstacle that, to our knowledge, ever existed—the old companies.

Again you tell us "Our company is no longer an experiment; it is an established success." This is certainly a cheering announcement, and would be exceedingly gratifying, if there were only a solitary indication in the barren waste of the two pages of letter-sheet from which it is quoted to favor the truthfulness of the assertion or in the negative character of all attempts at statement of details contained therein did not positively contradict so evident an assumption.

You find occasion and room to refer to what you have heretofore and now call a "stock-jobbing scheme to disparage the value of our stock." It may be what you call it, or anything else; but rest assured that so long as our stock is offered for sale, here and elsewhere, at from three to five per cent. discount, without takers, it makes but little difference what the stock-jobbers of New-York may be doing to or with it.

Finally, it has been more than intimated heretofore that we should be satisfied to realize in the reduced rates, resulting from the presence of our organization in the field, a satisfactory dividend on our investment. To this proposition we respectfully dissent, because seven-eighths of those who became subscribers, did so with the expectation of sharing in a profitable business with those already in, and that the competition between these interests would be an honorable one, and not destructive of profit. Of course this expectation ceased when we found you preluding the commencement of your business operations by unfriendly reference to, and denunciation of the existing companies. Then, with a large business assured to you by virtue of your stockholding interest, you adopted the unwise policy of reducing the existing rates, instead of leaving the responsibility of such a movement to your competitors. It is true you had asserted that the rates charged by the old companies were excessive, yet the reduction made was not of a character to meet the expectations that have been raised by such a statement, and was barely sufficient to leave it a question as to whether you were making a very cheap bid for business or offering an invitation to your competitors to further reduce the rates—a movement that secured no advantage to you.

But reduced rates cannot be accepted as a satisfactory dividend on this investment, for the reason that stockholders who have invested their money find their neighbors and competitors in business, who put no money at risk, enjoying the benefits and advantages of the extraordinary dividends in common with stockholders. Again, there are many who subscribed to the stock in the belief that it might and would be made a profitable investment, but who have no

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PROPOSALS FOR A LOAN OF $20,000,000.

An Act to create a loan for the redemption of the over-due bonds of the Commonwealth.

WHEREAS, The credit of the Commonwealth, and certain certificates of indebtedness, amounting to twenty-three millions of dollars, have been over-due and unpaid for some time past; and

Whereas, It is desirable that the same should be paid, and withdrawn from the market: therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer be, and are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, on the faith of the Commonwealth, in such amounts and with such notice (not less than forty days) as they may deem most expedient for the interest of the State, twenty-three millions of dollars, and issue certificates of loan or bonds of the Commonwealth for the same, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first of February and first of August, in the City of Philadelphia; which certificates of loan or bonds shall not be subject to any taxation whatever, either for State, municipal or local purposes, and shall be payable as follows, namely: Five millions of dollars payable at any time after five years, and within ten years; eight millions of dollars payable at any time after ten years, and within fifteen years, and ten millions of dollars at any time after fifteen years, and within twenty-five years; and shall be signed by the Governor and State Treasurer, and countersigned by the Auditor-General, and registered in the books of the Auditor-General, and to be transferable on the books of the Commonwealth, at the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank of Philadelphia: the proceeds of the whole of which loan, including premiums, if any, received on the same, shall be applied to the payment of the bonds and certificates of indebtedness of the Commonwealth.

SEC. 2. The bids for the said loan shall be opened in the presence of the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer, and awarded to the highest bidder. Provided, that no certificate hereby authorized to be issued shall be negotiated for less than its par value.

SEC. 3. The bonds of the State and certificates of indebtedness, now over due, shall be receivable in payment of the said loan, under such regulations as the Governor, Auditor-General and State Treasurer may prescribe; and every bidder for the loan now authorized to be issued shall state in his bid whether the same is payable in cash or in the bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the Commonwealth.

SEC. 4. That all trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, agents, treasurers, committees, or other persons, holding in a fiduciary capacity bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the State, or money, are hereby authorized to bid for the loan hereby authorized to be issued, and to surrender the bonds or certificates of loan held by them at the time of making such bid, and to receive the bonds authorized to be issued by this act.

SEC. 5. Any person or persons, or bidder who shall pay any capacity stated in the fourth section of this act, who may desire to invest money in their hands for the benefit of the trust, may, without order of court, invest the same in the bonds authorized to be issued by this act, at a rate of premium not exceeding twenty per centum.

SEC. 6. That from and after the passage of this act, all the bonds of this Commonwealth shall be paid off in the order of their maturity.

SEC. 7. That all loans of this Commonwealth, not yet due, shall be exempt from State, municipal or local taxation after the interest due February first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, shall have been paid.

SEC. 8. That all existing laws, or portions thereof, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

JOHN P. GLASS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

L. W. HALL,

Speaker of the Senate.

Approved the second day February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven. JOHN W. GEARY.

In accordance with the provisions of the above Act of Assembly, sealed proposals will be received at the office of the State Treasurer, in the City of Harrisburgh, Penn., until 12 o'clock M. on the 2d day of April, A. D. 1867, to be indorsed "Proposals for Pennsylvania State Loan," Treasury Department, Harrisburgh, Penn., U. S. A.

Bids will be received for $5,000,000, reimbursable in five years and payable in two years; $8,000,000 reimbursable in ten years and payable in fifteen years; and $10,000,000 reimbursable in fifteen years and payable in twenty-five years. The rate of interest to be either five or six per cent. per annum, which must be explicitly stated in the bid, and the bids most advantageous to the State will be accepted. No bid for less than par will be considered. The bonds will be issued in sums of $50, and such higher sums as desired by the loaners, to be free from state, local and municipal taxes.

The over-due bonds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be received in payment for this loan, but bidders must state whether they intend to pay in cash or in the over-due loans aforesaid.

No distinction will be made between bidders paying in cash or over-due loans.

JOHN W. GEARY,

Governor of Pennsylvania.

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Transfer books will be closed on the 18th inst.

R. M. LOCKWOOD, Secretary.

UNITED STATES TREASURY.

Schedules of (30) thirty or more 10-40 coupons due March 1, 1867, will now be received for examination at the United States Treasury.

H. H. VAN DYCK, Assistant Treasurer.

OFFICE LAFAYETTE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 347 Fulton-st., BROOKLYN, Feb. 13, 1867.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION HELD THIS DAY, the following gentlemen were elected Directors of this Company:

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LEWIS HURST,	STEPHEN A. DODGE,
JOHN L. SPADER,	ANDW. FITZGERALD,
HENRY J. MULLEN,	CALVIN B. CAMP,
BEVERLY H. SAGE,	CURTIS NOBLE,
PHILIP S. CROOKE,	EDMUND T. H. GIBSON,
AMOS ROBBINS,	RUFUS S. GRAVES,
JOHN J. ROBINMAKER,	JACOB PHILIP,
ALEXANDER M'CUE,	GEORGE C. ROBINSON,
D. S. MORRELL,	JOSEPH C. SANXAY,
	W. L. SHUTTLEWORTH.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, JAMES FREELAND, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

$15,000 WANTED, TO HELP SUPPLY demand for the water of a new mineral spring, demonstrated to be the best remedy for chronic rheumatism or rheumatic gout which the world has ever known, as well as for a variety of bronchial, stomach, bowel, liver, kidney and urinary diseases. These waters are pronounced by eminent physicians and chemists to be "equal in some and superior in other respects to that of the famous Vichy Springs of France." Reputed supply of these new springs, 200 barrels per day, readily sold at $1 per gallon. Security given for the loan on springs and real estate adjoining them, and large improvements or interest in the business. Call at or address Room No. 12, No. 83 Nassau-st., New-York.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE CO., IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, No. 46 WALL-ST. NEW-YORK, Feb. 18, 1867.

ELECTION NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION for ten Directors of this Company, and for three Inspectors of Election, will be held at this office on MONDAY, the 4th day of March prox., between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock P. M.

By order, JOHN RADIE, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

No. 44 WALL-ST.,

BANKERS AND DEALERS

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GOVERNMENT STOCKS,

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ALL CLASSES OF UNITED STATES BONDS

Credited or Reported for at Highest Rates, FREE OF ALL COMMISSION CHARGES.

CLOSING PRICES.

By N. Y. Times, Feb. 18, 1867.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered '81	106½	106¾	June, '81	107¼	107¾
Coupon, 1881	106¾	107			
5-20 Regist'd	103	103¼	Aug., O. L. N's	107¼	107¾
5-20 Coup. do.	103¼	103¾	Sept., O. L. N's	107¼	107¾
5-20 Coup. do.	103¼	103¾	Oct., O. L. N's	107¼	107¾
10-40 Regist'd	97½	98	Dec., O. L. N's	104¾	105¼
10-40 Coupon	97½	98	Dec., O. L. N's	104¾	105¼
7-30's	105¾	106	Dec., O. L. N's	104¾	105¼
10-40 Registered	97½	98	Mar., O. L. N's	102¾	103¼
10-40 Coupon	97½	98	Aug., O. L. N's	99¾	100¼
Gold	139¾	140	Sept., O. L. N's	99¾	100¼
August, '65	108	108½	Oct., O. L. N's	99¾	100¼

We keep on hand a supply of

NEW 5-20 BONDS

to give in exchange for all issues of

7-30 TREASURY NOTES,

paying the market rates for Treasury Notes, and selling the Bonds at a price to make it advantageous for correspondents to make the exchange.

VERMILYE & CO.

FOR SALE—A LIMITED AMOUNT OF MORRIS and Essex Railroad Company 1st mortgage 7 per cent. bonds, 50 years to run, interest payable May and November.

VERMILYE & CO., No. 44 Wall-st.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 31, 1867.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Company, for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20, 1867. The transfer-books will be closed from the 15th to Feb. 21.

GEO. RUSSELL, Secretary.

CHICAGO AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD BONDS FOR SALE.—Will be sold at public auction by JOSEPH L. HERSHAW, at the Merchants' Exchange Reading-room, in the City of Boston, on SATURDAY, Feb. 23, 1867, at 12½ P. M., $100,000 of the First Mortgage Seven per Cent. Bonds of the Chicago and Cincinnati Railroad Company, with the coupons since October, 1866, inclusive, attached. The said Bonds are held as collateral for the notes of said Company, and will be sold for the non-payment thereof. The line of the road upon which said Bonds are secured is from Logansport to Valparaiso, in the State of Indiana, and now forms a considerable part of the important line known as the "Chicago and Great Eastern Railroad." The securities may be examined on application to the auctioneer. The sale to be strictly for cash, and purchasers will be required to pay to the auctioneer five per cent. on the amount of their bids as earnest money at the time of sale, and the balance within three days thereafter.

OFFICE OF THE TOLEDO, WABASH AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, No. 19 BROAD-ST. NEW-YORK, Feb. 18, 1867.

SINKING FUND BONDS of the above-named Company, this day drawn for payment at the office of the Company on the 1st day of March next, amounting to $20,000, viz.: Nos. 430, 431, 432, 446, 447, 103, 161, 816, 847, 38, 439, 841, 291, 3.0, 341, 842, 962.

EDWIN C. LITCHFIELD, SOLON HUMPHREYS, WM. BABCOCK, } Trustees.

NOTICE.—THE PUBLIC ARE CAUTIONED against negotiating, for their own order, and indorsed by them, mailed on the 10th of February, among registered letters, for New-York, one of $1,000, to have been stolen: One dated Baltimore, Feb. 2, 1867, 90 days, for $3,665 87, and another dated Baltimore, Feb. 8, 1867, 90 days, for the same amount.

FOR SALE—A CHOICE CABINET COLLECTION of specimens of ores and specimens of gold, silver, copper, lead and other specimens, which cannot be duplicated at any cost, and will be sold cheap. Apply at No. 43 Pine-st.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 14, 1867.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY given to the holders of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company that a dividend of five per cent., free of Government tax, has been declared out of the earnings of the road for the last six months, upon the Preferred and Common Stock of the Company, payable at the office of Messrs. M. K. JESUP & COMPANY, No. 34 Broadway, New-York, on the FOURTH DAY OF MARCH NEXT, to holders of record at the close of business hours on the 23d day of February, 1867, at which time the transfer-books will be closed, and reopened on the 5th day of March next for transfers.

W. M. LARRABEE, Secretary.

OSWEGO AND SYRACUSE RAILROAD COMPANY.—TWENTY SEVENTH SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND.—The Directors of this Company have declared a Dividend of Four per Cent. on the Capital Stock, free of the Government tax, payable on the 20th day of February, instant.

Dividends on New-York will be paid at the Howard Insurance Company's Office, by H. A. Oakley, Esq., Transfer Agent; in Albany, at the New-York State National Bank; in Utica, at the Oneida National Bank; in Syracuse, at the Syracuse National Bank; all others at the Lake Ontario National Bank, Oswego.

Dividends not called for within thirty days will be paid at the Treasurer's Office, Oswego.

L. WRIGHT, Treasurer.

OSWEGO, Feb. 6, 1867.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, No. 2 CHAMBERS-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1867.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessment Rolls of the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New-York for the year 1867, will be open for inspection and revision on and after MONDAY, Jan. 14, 1867, and will remain open till the 30th day of April, 1867, for the correction of assessments and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate of the City and County of New-York. All persons believing themselves to be aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners of Taxes for the purpose mentioned in order to obtain the relief provided by law. The act of 1859 provides that "during the time the books shall be open for the purpose aforesaid, hereinbefore provided, application may be made by any person considering himself aggrieved by the assessed valuation of his real or personal estate, to have the same corrected. If such application be made in relation to the assessed valuation of real estate, it must be made in writing, stating the ground of objection thereto, and thereupon the Commissioners shall appoint a time to hear the complaint, and if, in their judgment, the assessment is erroneous, they shall cause the same to be corrected. If such application be made in relation to the assessed valuation of personal estate the applicant shall be examined under oath by the said Commissioners, who shall be authorized to administer such oaths, or any of them; and if, in his or their judgment the assessment is erroneous, they shall cause the same to be corrected, and fix the amount of such assessment as they may believe, after such examination, and all applications within thirty days after such application shall have been made to them. No reduction shall be made by the Board of Supervisors of any assessment on real and personal estate imposed under this act, unless it shall appear, under oath or affirmation, that the party aggrieved was unable to attend within the period prescribed for the correction of taxes, by reason of sickness or absence from the City.

A. J. WILLIAMSON, JOHN ALLEN, J. W. BROWN, } Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

MEDICAL BOARD FOR THE EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION INTO THE NAVY AS ASSISTANT SURGEONS.—A Board of Medical Officers of the United States Naval Asylum, Philadelphia, for the examination of candidates for admission into the Medical Corps of the Navy, will commence its sessions on the 1st of March. The Board must make application to the Honorable Secretary of the Navy, or to the undersigned, stating residence, place and date of birth. Applications to be accompanied by respectable testimonials of moral character.

Candidates must not be less than twenty-one, nor more than twenty-six years of age.

No expense is allowed by the Government to candidates attending the sessions of the Board, as a successful examination is a legal prerequisite for appointment in the Navy.

The many vacancies existing in the Medical Corps insure immediate appointments to successful candidates.

J. HORWITZ, Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY, NAVY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 29, 1866.

APPLICATION WILL BE MADE TO the Governor of the State of New-York, on the 26th day of Feb., 1867, for the pardon of ROBERT SMITH, who was convicted, the 19th day of May, 1866, at a Court of Sessions, County of New-York, of the crime of burglary in the third degree, and sentenced to the State Prison at Sing Sing, for the term of two years and six months.—Dated Feb. 8, 1867.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against EDWIN S. PORTER, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the administrators, at the office of William Porter, Jr., No. 271 Pearl-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 18th day of April next.

Dated Oct. 11, 1866.

MARY JANE PORTER, WILLIAM PORTER, Jr., } Administrators.

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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against THOMAS M. McLEAN, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the Executors, at the office of WILLIAM LINTZ, No. 165 Maiden-lane, in the City of New-York, on or before the 22d day of March next.—Dated Feb. 14, 1866.

EDWIN L. ABEL, WILLIAM LINTZ, } Executors.

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HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

CARRIAGES.—GREAT BARGAINS.—FOR SALE CHEAP.—Several carriages, damaged; 300 new carriages; great reduction in prices; 1,000 sets of harness. C. WITTY'S Warerooms, No. 608 Broadway, near Bleecker-st.

ALL PARTIES WISHING TO BUY OR desirous to sell horses, carriages, wagons or anything pertaining to the horse business, should apply to MINER & SOMERVILLE, No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

FOR SALE LOW—A FINE PAIR OF BAY mares for a carriage, six years old, just arrived from the country. Apply, for two days, in the grocery corner Smith-st. and Baltchen-place, South Brooklyn.

FURNITURE.

REMOVAL.

WARREN WARD & CO.,

NO. 277 CANAL-ST.,

MANUFACTURERS OF WALNUT, CHESTNUT and fine ENAMELED CHAMBER FURNITURE, will remove about the 1st of March to their new and spacious warerooms corner of Spring and Crosby sts., one block east of Broadway, between the St. Nicholas and Metropolitan Hotels.

We have at present the largest and best stock of CHAMBER FURNITURE of any house in this City, which we will sell prior to our removal at a very great reduction in prices.

AUCTION SALES.

GOVERNMENT SALE AT CHARLESTON, S. C.

The following Ordnance property will be sold at public auction at the Charleston Arsenal, Charleston, S. C., on MONDAY, March 4, 1867, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M.:

About ten wet tons (more) cast iron.
About ten tons cast steel, &c. (about one-half has value for old metal only).
About 400 cast shells.
About 40 tons damaged wrought iron.
About 2 tons damaged brass, copper, &c.
About 600 gunners' quoins, turned.
About 1,000 pounds of rubber.
About two cords of rubber, 200 bridles, 1,200 cartridge-boxes and a quantity of rubber leather work.
1 large hand fire-engine (built by Agnew, Philadelphia).
About 1,200 barrels unserviceable powder.
Also, a large quantity of other property, consisting principally of ammunition, ropes, rope, implements, and damaged woods, &c.

Terms—Cash on the day of the sale in United States currency.

Ample time allowed for the removal of the property, at the expiration of which that not removed will revert to the Government.

By authority of Chief of Ordnance.

F. H. PARKER, Capt. Ordn. and Brevet Major U. S. A., Commanding Charleston Arsenal.

IMPORTANT SALE OF GOVERNMENT VESSEL.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 30, 1867.

Will be sold at public auction, at the port of Baltimore, (Hardesty's Wharf, East Baltimore,) on THURSDAY, 19 M., Feb. 28, 1867, the

SUPERB SIDE-WHEEL STEAMER

OMAHA,

of 778 tons; length, 225 feet; breadth of beam, 33 feet; depth of hold, 13 feet; cylinder 50 inches, and 11 feet stroke.

A rare opportunity is afforded in the sale of this steamer to persons desiring to purchase a really first-class vessel.

She is of light draft, the engine and boiler are in most excellent condition, and the hull perfectly sound and strong.

It is believed that for size and build, the COSMOPOLITAN surpasses any vessel hitherto offered by Government for sale at this port.

Terms cash, in Government funds, on day of sale.

Further particulars may be learned on application to the undersigned, or to the Auctioneers, Messrs. ADREON, THOMAS & CO., No. 18 South Charles-st.

By order of the Quartermaster-General.

A. S. KIMBALL, Capt. and A. Q. M., U. S. A., Depot Quartermaster.

SALE OF DAMAGED CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE.

OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 8, 1867.

Will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder, for the United States, at the depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, corner of Laight and Washington sts., in the City of New-York, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th of February, 1867, at 11 o'clock A. M., and will be continued from day to day until all are sold, the following named articles of damaged clothing and equipage:

Woolen blankets, greatcoats, blouses, uniform coats, bedsacks, shirts, drawers, greatcoat straps, knapsacks, stockings, stocks, trousers, knives, forks, spoons, plates, tin cups, hats, caps, lace, woven worsted braids, 60 yards; alpaca, 124 yards; boots, shoes, brass articles, musical instruments, cap covers, &c., &c.

Catalogues may be had at the depot; also, samples of the articles may be seen.

Terms—Cash, in Government funds; ten per cent. down and the balance before the goods are taken from the depot, which must be within three days from day of sale, under forfeiture of the purchase and 10 per cent.

Brevet Brig.-Gen. D. H. VINTON, Assistant Quartermaster-General, U. S. A.

ADREON, THOMAS & Co., No. 18 South Charles-st., Auctioneers.

LARGE SALE OF ARMY CLOTHING.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 6, 1867.

Will be sold at public auction, in the City of Baltimore, (at Government storehouse, No. 120 South Eutaw-st.,) on WEDNESDAY, 13 M., Feb. 27, 1867, a lot of

ARMY CLOTHING,

consisting of

about 1,000 NEW-YORK STATE JACKETS, of irregular pattern, and otherwise unsuited for issue to troops.

By reason of its long retention in store, the material is in some instances more or less damaged.

Sales will take place in lots to suit purchasers.

TERMS—Cash in Government funds on day of sale.

Three days allowed to remove purchases.

By order of the Quartermaster-General.

A. S. KIMBALL, Captain and Assistant Quartermaster U. S. A., Depot Quartermaster.

FORTY-SEVENTH AUCTION SALE.

50,000 TO 60,000

TONS SCRANTON COAL,

ON WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27, 1867.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 13, 1867.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will sell by Messrs. JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers, at the Company's Saleroom, No. 28 Exchange-place, corner of Williams-st., New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27, instant, at 12 o'clock, noon,

50,000 TO 60,000 TONS

of fresh mined coal from the Scranton regions, of the usual sizes, deliverable at their Depot, Elizabethport, N. J., during the month of March, 1867.

Terms—FIFTY CENTS PER TON, payable in current funds, on the day of sale, and the balance within ten days thereafter, at the office of the Company.

JOHN BRISBIN, President.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

BOULEVARD LOTS AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, by direction of the Trustees, will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 19, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, the following described real estate, viz.:

103d-st.—Three lots, each 25x100, on the northeast corner of 68th-st. and 10th-av. Each 25x100 feet.

TRUSTEES' SALE.—SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF SALOMON KOHNSTAMM.—Will be sold at public auction by LUDLOW & CO., auctioneers, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of March, 1867, at 12 o'clock at noon, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, the following valuable property:

1. All that certain two-story house and lot of land known as Number One Hundred and Thirteen Leonard-street, in the City of New-York; dimensions of lot, 21 feet 3 inches in width by 81 feet in depth.

2. Also that two-story house known as Number One Hundred and Fifteen Leonard-street; dimensions of lot, 21 feet 3 inches in width by 81 feet in depth.

3. Also that two-story frame house and lot known as Number Two Benson-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 23 feet in width by 85 feet in depth—adjacents to said lots Nos. 113 and 115 Leonard-street.

4. Also all that certain house and lot No. 50 Franklin-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 25 feet in width by 100 feet in depth.

5. Also all that certain house and lot No. 52 Franklin-street, in said City; dimensions of lot, 25 feet in front by 100 feet in depth.

For terms and particulars apply to WM. H. LUFF, No. 48 Wall-st.

JOSEPH STUART, EDGAR S. VAN WINKLE, Trustees of the Estate of Salomon Kohnstamm.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 16, 1867.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE IMPROVED PROPERTY ON 57TH-AV., 37TH AND 26TH STS., AT AUCTION.—ADRIAN H. MULLER AND R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 19, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

57TH-AV.—Three first-class four-story brick stores and dwellings, situate on the east side of 57th-av., between 26th and 26th sts., known as Nos. 234, 236 and 238 9th-av. Lot 19.5x55.

26TH-ST.—Two lots of land, together with the two three-story and basement brick dwelling houses, with under-cellars, known as Nos. 363 and 364 West 26th-st., on the front, and five three-story brick houses, with basements and under-cellars, in the rear thereof, situate on the south side of 26th-st., 55 feet east of 9th-av. Lots together 55 feet by 98 feet 9 inches.

26TH-ST.—The lease of the lot with the two-story brick house thereon, situate on the south side of 26th-st., between 9th and 10th avs., known as No. 320. Lease from Clement C. Moore, has 21 years to run from April, 1866: annual ground rent $71.50; taxes and assessments. Lot 14 feet 6 inches by 86 feet.

LEAVITT, STREBEIGH & Co., Auctioneers.

BOOK-TRADE SALE-ROOMS, NO 498 Broadway. THURSDAY, Feb. 21, and following days, commencing at 10½ A. M., each day. Sale of an exceedingly choice collection of books relating to America, comprising a large assortment of scarce local histories, travels, memoirs—privately printed—and large paper books; Washington Sermons, &c., &c.; among which may be mentioned Thos. Campanius Holm's—1702—Habeas Corpus Pamphlets—complete set unique; Proud's Pennsylvania, 2 volumes, uncut; Salem Witchcraft, large paper, Daniel Boone, 8vo., uncut; Almon's Remembrancer, 13 volumes—very scarce; Hinton's Bucks County, Penn., Melvin, etc; Stedman, etc, John Harroldson, 8vo., Bs tle of the Kegs, 8vo.; many valuable books relating to Gen. Washington, &c., &c., Catalogues ready, and books on exhibition.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON CHATHAM, PEARL AND BAXTER STREETS.—To close the estate of Matthew Boimer, deceased.

ADRIAN H. MULLER AND R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 19, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

The valuable property situate on the northwest corner of Pearl and Chatham sts., and known as Nos. 166 and 168 Chatham, and Nos. 466 and 470 Pearl-sts.; also the property adjoining on the rear of the Pearl-st. property, fronting on Baxter-st., and known as No. 9 Baxter. This property has a front on Chatham-st. of 28 feet 5 inches, on Pearl-st. of 114 feet, on Baxter-st. of 25 feet. Its depth on the easterly side is about 125 feet, and on the northerly line from Pearl to Baxter-st. about 107 feet. This is one of the most valuable business locations now offering in the market, and well worthy the attention of capitalists.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

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PALMYRA.....Feb. 20
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RATES OF PASSAGE:

Cabin.....$86 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $35 currency.

For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 63 Broadway.

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LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.

Passage to London or Brest, $110, $75 and $30 currency. Excursion tickets at reduced rates available for six months.

CELLA, Capt. GUERAULT, from New-York, Mar. 2.
WM. PENN Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Mar. 16.
ATLANTA Capt. PIERRAT, from New-York, Mar. 30.
CELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Apr. 13.

The Steam propeller steamship CELLA, will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London, calling at Brest, on SATURDAY, March 2.

Until further notice all the steamers of this line will call at Brest to land passengers. Baggage checked and tickets sold through to Paris at 25 per cent. less than regular rates.

Freight will be taken and through bills of lading given to Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, and Denkirk.

For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 28 Broadway.

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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.

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AND

BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

AUSTRALASIAN leaves New-York, Wednesday, Feb. 20.
CHINA leaves Boston, Wednesday, Feb. 27.
JAVA leaves New-York, Wednesday, March 6.
ASIA leaves Boston, Wednesday, March 13.
CUBA leaves New-York, Wednesday, March 20.
AFRICA leaves Boston, Wednesday, March 27.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$150
Second Cabin Passage.....100

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.

Chief Cabin Passage.....$125
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Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

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For freight or passage, apply to

E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

PASSENGERS PER AUSTRALASIAN must be on board of the Cunard Wharf, Jersey City, before 9 o'clock on WEDNESDAY MORNING, 20th inst.

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ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid new vessels on this favorite route for the continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

ST. LAURENT.....Rochde.....SATURDAY, Feb. 23
PEREIRE.....Dubuisse.....SATURDAY, Mar. 9
VILLE DE PARIS.....Surbled.....SATURDAY, March 23
EUROPE.....Lemasle.....SATURDAY, April 6

PRICE OF PASSAGE (including wine) payable in gold or equivalent in currency, TO BREST OR HAVRE.

First cabin, $150; second cabin, $100.

TO PARIS.

First cabin, $165; second cabin, $105.

Railway tickets being furnished on board.

Baggage checked through to Paris.

Medical attendance free of charge.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

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THE ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company will run their first-class steamships ARAGO and FULTON in connection with their new and favorite Mail Company's steamers MISSISSIPPI and MERRIMAC, to Havre, carrying the United States mails from Pier No. 46 North River, at noon, the following days, calling at Falmouth:

ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, Feb. 16, 1867
MISSISSIPPI...G. Sumner.....Saturday, March 2, 1867
FULTON.....S. Comstock.....Saturday, March 16, 1867
MERRIMAC...E. Van Sice.....Saturday, March 30, 1867
ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, April 13, 1867
MISSISSIPPI...G. Sumner.....Saturday, April 27, 1867

and every fourteen days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE, PAYABLE IN GOLD, OR ITS EQUIVALENT.

FIRST CLASS.....$120
SECOND-CLASS.....70

Through tickets to London $5 extra.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The companies will not be responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

C. K. G. BARRISON, for N. Y. M. S. S. Co.
JOS. J. COMSTOCK for N. Y. and H. S. S. Co.

For further information apply to

JOS. J. COMSTOCK, Agent, No. 7 Broadway.
JAMES A. WOTTON, Havre, General Agent in Europe.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. (Limited.)

Steamers weekly to Liverpool, calling at Queenstown. The splendid first-class iron steamships of this line will be dispatched as follows from Pier No. 47 North River:

VIRGINIA, Prowse.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20
ARIADNE, Thompson.....SATURDAY, Feb. 23
PENNSYLVANIA, Lewis.....WEDNESDAY, Mar. 6
LOUISIANA, Harrington.....SATURDAY, Mar. 9
ENGLAND, Grace.....SATURDAY, Mar. 16
BRITON, Cuttris.....WEDNESDAY, Mar. 27
THE QUEEN, Grogan.....SATURDAY, Mar. 30

And every Saturday thereafter.

An experienced surgeon on each ship, free of charge. Drafts issued for any amount, payable at any bank in Great Britain, or on the continent.

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To Liverpool, Glasgow and Derry—Cabins, $110 and $90; steerage, $30.

Prepaid certificates from these ports to New-York, $35. Passengers also forwarded to Hamburg, Havre, Antwerp, at very low rates.

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CITY OF NEW-YORK.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 2
CITY OF ANTWERP.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 9
CITY OF BOSTON.....SATURDAY.....Mar. 16

and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

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First Cabin.....$110 | Steerage.....$30
First Cabin to London.....115 | Steerage to London.....35
First Cabin to Paris.....125 | Steerage to Paris.....45

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Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37 currency. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.

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FOR HAVANA, VIA NASSAU, N. P.

The British and North American Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's new steamer DORSICA, Capt. LE MESURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's wharf, at Jersey City, on

MONDAY.....Feb. 25 | MONDAY.....March 25

Passage money to Nassau.....$45
Passage money to Havana.....50

Payable in gold or its equivalent.

No freight received on day before sailing.

For freight or passage, apply to

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The favorite steamships

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FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 22d of every month.

SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. Tinklepaugh, Feb. 22.
GUIDING STAR, Capt. Geo. R. Slocum, March 22.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. L. F. Timerman, April 22.

These elegant steamships sail on the above days from St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagement of freight or passage, apply to GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents, No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

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The first-class steamship

MERCEDITA,

carrying the United States mails,

is now receiving freight at Pier 26 East River, and will sail WEDNESDAY, March 6, at 3 P. M. The boats of this line make connection with steamers from St. Thomas for Jamaica, Windward Islands, &c. For freight or passage apply to SMITH, DUMNING, No. 66 South-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS—BLACK STAR LINE.

The steamship

FUNG SHUEY, Capt. CROWELL,

will leave on SATURDAY, Feb. 23, 1867, from Pier No. 13 N. R., at 3 o'clock precisely.

For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to

R. LOWDEN, Agent, Corner Cedar and West sts.

DAVID McCOARD, Agent in New-Orleans.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

The new and first-class steamship GEORGE WASHINGTON, Capt. E. V. GAGER, will leave Pier No. 9 North River on SATURDAY, Feb. 23, at 3 o'clock P. M. For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations, apply to

H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 86 West-st.

The GEORGE CROMWELL will follow March 2.

STAR LINE FOR NEW-ORLEANS.—THE NEW-YORK MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S fine ocean steamers will leave Pier No. 46 North River, at 3 P. M., as follows:

MISSOURI, on SATURDAY, Feb. 23.
HAVANA, on SATURDAY, March 2.
MONTEREY, on SATURDAY, March 9.

All bills of lading signed at the office upon the pier.

For freight or passage apply to

C. K. GARRISON, President. No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR CHARLESTON S. C.

THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. The regular and popular steamship MONEKA, Capt. LEBBY, will leave on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 36 North River, landing freight on SATURDAY morning at Charleston.

Through tickets and bills of lading issued to all points South, in connection with the South Carolina Railroad.

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, 88 Liberty-st.

SHIPPING.

DIRECT STEAMSHIP LINE BETWEEN ANTWERP AND NEW-YORK.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 12, 1867.

The undersigned will dispatch during the coming season, every other SATURDAY, a first-class English screw-steamer for Antwerp. First ship from Antwerp, SATURDAY, March 23; first ship from New-York, SATURDAY, April 13, taking passengers and freight at the lowest rates. Full particulars, giving names of steamers, prices of passage, &c., will be published in a few days. For freight or passage apply to

HILLER & CO., No. 3 Chambers-st.

NEW-YORK & BREMEN STEAMSHIP CO.

The FIRST-CLASS U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIP BALTIC, A. G. Jones, Commander, will leave Pier 45 N. R., foot of Canal-st., on THURSDAY, Feb. 21, at 9 A. M., FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND BREMEN, taking passengers to Southampton, London, Havre and Bremen, and following rates, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency:

First cabin, $120; second cabin, $70; steerage, $37 50. From Bremen, Southampton and Havre to New-York, first cabin, $125; second cabin, $75; steerage, $45.

EXCURSION TICKETS OUT AND HOME.

First cabin, $225; second cabin, $135; steerage, $75.

To be followed by the

WESTERN METROPOLIS.....March 7
ATLANTIC, Capt. C. Hoyer.....April 6

FURTHER DEPARTURES FROM NEW-YORK:

April 20, May 4, May 18, June 15, June 29, July 20.

For freight or passage apply to

ISAAC TAYLOR, President. No. 40 Broadway.

THE STEAMSHIP GREAT EASTERN,

Sir James Anderson, Commander.

DIRECT TO FRANCE.

The French Company of Charterers of the steamship GREAT EASTERN, having provided the ship with new boilers, and thoroughly refitted and refurnished her in every department, will run her regularly between New-York and Brest during the coming Summer.

Leaving Liverpool March 20	Leaving New-York Tuesday, April 9.
Brest Saturday, April 27.	New-York Thursday, May 16.
Brest Tuesday, June 4.	New-York Saturday, June 22.
Brest Thursday, July 11.	New-York Tuesday, July 30.
Brest Saturday, Aug. 24.	New-York Thursday, Sept. 12.
Brest Tuesday, Oct. 1.	New-York Saturday, Oct. 19.
Brest Thursday, Nov. 7.	New-York Tuesday, Nov. 26.

Taking first-class passengers only at the following rates: $100, $125 and $140, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency. All passengers enjoy the same privilege and same accommodations, the difference of price being for location and size of stateroooms. Special trains will run regularly between Brest and Paris, in connection with the Great Eastern. Passengers can be furnished on board with railway tickets, and have their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $10 50 for first-class and $7 50 for second-class carriage, being 25 per cent. less than regular rates. Tickets for the home voyage will be issued either here or in Paris, at a reduction of $20 from the above rates to passengers returning in April, June or July. For the convenience of the passengers of the Great Eastern, the Company has appointed a special agent, who will without charge engage apartments in Paris for such as may forward instructions thereto to Messrs. Charles Da Co.

For freight apply to WM. T. COLEMAN & CO., No. 117 Front-st. For passage apply to

WELLS, FARGO & CO., No. 61 Broadway.

STEAMSHIP GREAT EASTERN.

CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.

Steamers leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, as follows:

FEB. 1.—RISING STAR, Capt. W. G. Forbes, connecting with MONTANA, Capt. Burton.
FEB. 11.—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. A. G. Gray, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt. Caverly.
FEB. 21.—GOLDEN QUEEN, Capt. T. J. Harris, connecting with GOLDEN AGE, Capt. Lapidge.

All departures touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports. Also, at Aspinwall with steamers for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanillo.

Departure of 11th each month connects with the new steam line between Panama to Australia and New-Zealand.

Steamer of March 11, 1867, will connect with the Company's steamer COLORADO, to save San Francisco for Yokohama and Hong Kong, on April 3, 1867.

100 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York.

F. R. BABY, Agent.

THE TRANSIT ROUTES OF PANAMA AND NICARAGUA.

From the New-York Herald, Feb. 11, 1867.

PANAMA, Feb. 1, 1867.

Yellow-fever is almost epidemic on the Isthmus. The deaths from that disease are numerous, and Panama is full of pestilence and filth. The season is the sickliest known for years. The yellow-fever is raging on board the *Jamestown* (United States line-of-war) and the deaths average one or two per diem. The Commodore will put to sea in order to disinfect the ship.

Dr. Liddell, assistant surgeon, died of yellow-fever on the 29th of January. From the fact that the majority of the men on board the *Jamestown* are prostrate with disease, the usual guard of marines at the funeral could not be formed.

From the New-York Tribune, Feb. 11, 1867.

PANAMA, Jan. 31, 1867.

The health of our city (Panama) is by no means what it usually is. There have been many deaths. Cholera is said to have entirely disappeared from the Nicaragua route, &c.

NOTICE TO CALIFORNIANS.

There has not been epidemic disease of any kind on the Nicaragua route, and it is quite healthy. The next steamer for Nicaragua will be the SANTIAGO DE CUBA, on the 20th of February.

CALIFORNIA TRAVEL.—The question of Spring travel to California threatens to become a very serious consideration in view of the yellow fever on the Isthmus, and the latest statement that Panama is full of pestilence and filth. Should the scourge abate, the inevitably population of that region will ere long give neither the doctor nor the census-taker much trouble. Meantime, the most reliable route for the safety of traveling parties who scent danger even in being whirled across the Isthmus, under the idea that pestilence can keep up with, if not outstrip the locomotive, is probably seek the line kept by the Nicaragua route, whereon a favorable degree of healthfulness is declared now to prevail.—*Communicated.*

NORTH AMERICAN STEAMSHIP CO.

OPPOSITION LINE TO CALIFORNIA, VIA NICARAGUA EVERY TWENTY DAYS.

Will dispatch the first-class steamships

SAN FRANCISCO, Capt. Berm, March 9,

From Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st., at noon, with passengers and freight at very low rates.

Connecting on the Pacific Ocean with the fine steamships

MOSES TAYLOR, Capt. Blethen, and

ALPS, Capt. Wakeman.

For further information, apply to the North American Steamship Company,

WM. H. WEBB, President, No. 54 Exchange-place, N. Y.
D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent, No. 177 West-st., corner Warren-st., N. Y.

STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA.

VIA PANAMA.

The Panama, New-Zealand and Australian Royal Mail Company dispatch a steamer on the 24th of each month from Panama to Melbourne, Sydney, N. Z., and the Australian Colonies, connecting with the steamer of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company leaving New-York for Aspinwall October 24 and 24th of each month. First and second class passengers will be conveyed under through ticket at the following rates: From New-York to ports in New-Zealand, or to Sydney or Melbourne, $340 to $345 for first class, and $210 to $265 for second class, payable in United States gold coin.

Special steamers run to the newly-discovered gold region of Nelson, New-Zealand.

Arrangements are now completed for issuing through bills of lading. Freight payable here.

For freight, passage, or other information to be made to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 29 Wall-st., or to

CHARLES W. WEST, Agent, No. 23 William-st., New-York.

EMPIRE LINE FOR SAVANNAH.

Every SATURDAY from Pier No. 13 North River, Punctual at 3 o'clock P. M.,

The favorite sidewheel steamships

SAN JACINTO, Atkins, Commander, sails Feb. 23.
SAN SALVADOR, Nickerson, Commander, sails Mar. 2.

These steamships have unsurpassed facilities for passage in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, Atlantic and Gulf Railroad, and Florida steamers.

Elegant passage and low rates of freight recommendations.

GARRISON & ALLEN No. 5 Bowling-green, N. Y.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.—EVERY THURSDAY.—THE ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.'S side-wheel steamship

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. Morton, sails THURSDAY, Feb. 21,

HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. Baker, sails on THURSDAY, Feb. 28.

Through tickets and bills of lading to all points in connection with the Central Railroad of Georgia, Savannah and Florida Railroad.

For passage apply to

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, 88 Liberty-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.—EVERY TUESDAY.—Murray's Steamship Line.—The new and elegant steamship LEO, H. C. Dearborn, Commander, will sail from Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Wall-st., on TUESDAY, Feb. 19, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Through bills of lading and passage tickets given to all points in connection with the Georgia Central Railroad. Freight received daily at the pier.

For freight or passage apply to

MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Nos. 61 and 63 South-st.

FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.

OLD DOMINION STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FROM PIER 20 NORTH RIVER, FOOT BEACH-ST.

Steamship ALBEMARLE, Capt. Bowen, leaves every WEDNESDAY at 12 o'clock noon.

Steamship ROANOKE, Capt. Alexander, leaves every SATURDAY at 12 o'clock noon.

Giving through bills of lading to all points on the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad and its connections.

Bills of lading signed on the pier.

For freight or passage apply to the office on the pier, or to

S. L. McCREADY, President, No. 197 Greenwich-st., corner of Day-st.

THE OLD LINE

FOR RICHMOND, NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.

From Pier No. 23, North River.

Steamship SARATOGA, Capt. King, leaves every WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.

Steamship NIAGARA, Capt. S. Blakeman, every SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.

C. HEINEKEN & PALMORE, No. 181 Broadway, Agents.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA ports and the South and Southwest.—The A 1 fast and reliable steamship SARATOGA will have towing cargo, and will be dispatched on SATURDAY, Feb. 23, from Pier 14 East River, connecting at Charleston with the steamer DICTATOR, for the Florida ports. Through bills of lading and passage tickets issued to all of the principal points on the South Carolina Railroad and connecting railroads at reduced rates. For passage ticket, &c., apply to

ARTHUR LEARY, No. 9 William-st.

FOR SALE.

ELIZABETH, N. J.

For sale, a modern-style residence, three minutes' walk from depot; house has nine rooms, water, gas, &c., in complete order; excellent location; 16 minutes from New-York. Address or apply to G. W. K., Box No. 180 Times Office, between 8 and 9 o'clock.

FOR SALE—THE RESIDENCE OF THE LATE William Whitehead, situated at Throg's Neck, Westchester County, about 12 miles from New-York, containing about 60 acres, under a high state of cultivation. The dwelling is large and commodious, built of stone and stuccoed. There are also three houses on the place, suitable for farmer, gardener and coachman. The stables and outbuildings are complete in every particular. On the premises are a fine orchard, and a great variety of forest and ornamental trees.

The location is unsurpassed, having a front on the East River of nearly three-fourths of a mile, and being on the extreme point, and adjoining the land attached to Fort Schuyler; has an extensive view of both the East River and Long Island Sound. The Glen Cove steamboat land regularly at "Hayls Dock," which is situated on, and belongs to the property.

For particulars, &c., apply to

WM. W. LADD, Executor, No. 31 Broadway, Room No. 12.

FOR SALE—ON THE SOUND SHORE, AT Orienta, Westchester County, N. Y., a finely improved country residence, with ten or twenty acres of land. The house is large and of modern construction, handsomely situated, commanding an extensive and beautiful prospect. The grounds are shaded by forest-trees of large growth and great beauty, and there is also an abundance of fine fruit. The stables and grounds. The stable accommodations are ample and the bathing facilities unsurpassed. Apply to P. C. BULMELEY, No. 6 Wall-st., Jauncey-court.

FOR SALE—AT A GREAT BARGAIN, OR TO lease, a handsome country residence, pleasantly situated in a beautiful and healthy town in Massachusetts, seven hours from this City and two from Boston, and one-quarter of a mile from railroad depot; house is in centre of village, on main street; 21 rooms, with every convenience, and is in good order. There is one acre of land covered with the best of fruit. It is well calculated for first-class Summer boarders, or for a select school, or an infirmary. For particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., or to S. MOULTON, No. 51 Cedar-st., New-York.

FURNISHED RESIDENCE FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale his furnished residence in Norwalk, Conn.; the house is a convenient one, pleasantly situated, in the vicinity of schools and churches and six minutes' walk from the Post-office and railroad depot; on the premises are good stable, carriage-house and garden and abundance of fruit. For further particulars inquire of SALOWIN, STARR & CO., No. 88 Duane-st., New-York, or the subscriber on the premises, on Wednesday of each week from 10 to 2 o'clock.

CHANDLER STARR.

FOR SALE—A VERY ATTRACTIVE COUNTRY seat at Throg's Neck, Westchester County, 15 miles from New-York, containing about 7 acres under high cultivation; the main house is large, well planned and thoroughly furnished; out buildings unusually complete and extensive; grapevines, fruit trees, &c., all in perfect order. The place is well stocked with choice varieties of fruit trees, and shaded by forest trees of large growth. For permit and particulars apply to GEO. A. ROBBINS or FRANCIS BACON, Executors, No. 54 William-st., New-York.

FARM FOR SALE IN CLOSTER, BERGEN CO., N. J., on Northern Railroad, one mile from depot, one hour from foot of Cortlandt-st.—30 acres; 10 in wood, 10 in pasture, 10 in tillage, the rest under high cultivation; good house, and all outbuildings, with or without stock. One of the best homes in Bergen County, with improvements in every respect. Inquire on premises, JOHN S. RANDALL or of his son "RANDALL," shirt manufacturer, No. 522 8th-av., New-York.

A FINE FARM FOR SALE, VERY MUCH below the value, of 100 acres, beautifully improved and near churches, schools and good society; a neat, ornamented cottage house, containing thirteen rooms, in good order; outbuildings, stable, barn, carriage-house, granary, corn-house, &c.; good quantity and variety of choice fruit and beautiful shade trees; will exchange for New-York, Brooklyn or Jersey City property.

A. D. MELLICK, JR., & BRO., No. 29 Pine-st.

FOR SALE, AT COLD SPRING, IN THE HIGHLANDS OF THE HUDSON—A modern-built house, with six acres of land, gardener's house, stable, &c., &c. The house has been recently refitted, has railroad station and steamboat landing; fine river and mountain views. A cottage and half an acre of land, adjoining, will be sold with the place, if desired. Apply to

L. G. PERSON, No. 8 Wall-st., or to WM. I. PAULDING, on the premises.

FOR SALE—AT FLUSHING, L. I., A HANDsome country residence, built in a superb manner, with the best of materials. The lot is large and contains a vegetable garden and a beautiful variety of fruit trees and shrubbery. Location pleasant and healthy, and is accessible to New-York hourly by railroad or private conveyance. Price moderate. Apply to GEO. PECK, No. 110 Wall-st., or to GILBERT E. CARLL, Real Estate Agent, at Flushing.

FOR SALE—AT SMITHTOWN, L. I., THE FARM of the late Benjamin Mills, containing seventy acres homestead and thirty-six acres meadow; good house and large and convenient outbuildings, with a fine young orchard and large brook, suitable for making a trout-pond. The stock and movables will be sold with the farm if desired. Apply to LYMAN B. SMITH, Administrator, Smithtown, L. I., or E. S. MILLS, No. 61 White-st., New-York.

AT YONKERS—FOR SALE—A HOUSE, furnished or unfurnished, on Locust Hill-av., eight minutes' walk from depot and ferry; house contains 15 rooms, and is in perfect order; lot 32x220, with carriage-house and hennery, good vegetable garden, and an abundance of choice fruit trees now in bearing; possession on or before April 1. Apply to

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A COUNTRY PLACE FOR SALE—AT Scotch Plains, 22 miles from New-York by Central Railroad of New-Jersey; 10 acres of nicely-improved land, with new two-story frame house in very good order; fine barn and carriage-house, and plenty of large and small fruit; price $5,500.

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ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES AND farms, a great variety, beautifully situated, one hour from New-York, for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season or year, by BLAKE-WELL & SMITH, No. 59 William-st., New-York, 9 to 11 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 5 P. M.

VERY DESIRABLE FAMILY RESIdence, for sale; beautifully located in New-Brighton, Staten Island; the house has in it all the modern improvements and the grounds are extensive; lodge, stable, conservatory, &c. Apply for description to view, and general particulars at No. 45 Broadway, New-York.

FOR SALE AT TARRYTOWN—A LARGE and convenient house in perfect order; gas and water; fine carriage-house and stable; one acre in garden and lawn; near the depot. Price $10,000; terms easy; immediate possession given. Apply to JOHN A. KENYON. No. 83 Nassau-st.

FOR SALE AT TUCKAHOE, WESTCHESTER COUNTY—A small farm of 21 acres; good residence and other buildings; title good; price $3,000 if sold soon. Apply to JOHN O. HIGGINS, No. 7 Pine-st., Room No. 8.

FOR SALE AT NEW-ROCHELLE—A DEsirable residence at New-Rochelle, on the water; large house and grounds handsomely laid out; will be sold for $20,000, on half on mortgage. Apply to JOHN O. HIGGINS, No. 7 Pine-st., Room No. 8.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPERTY—On Staten Island, within ten minutes' walk of the Harbor Landing, a fine stone residence on Bard-av., with grapery, greenhouse, stone lodge and stables. Apply to P. SIMMS & CO., No. 71 Duane-st.

THREE-STORY BASEMENT AND Attic brick house for sale, near 3d-av., at Harlem, very cheap. Price, $8,000. Apply to office Brooklyn Insurance Company, No. 191 Broadway, or JOHN RAMSEY, 5th House west of 3d-av., 126th-st.

PLAINFIELD—A COUNTRY RESIDENCE OF 20 acres, within one mile of depot; large house, barn, &c.; plenty of fruit of all kinds. Inquire of E. H. HYDE & CO., No. 10 Pine-st., or BRONK & MARSH, opposite depot, Plainfield, N. J.

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FOR SALE—A VERY CHOICE PLOT OF ground in the centre of the City, on a wide street, having a front of 150 feet by 98.9 in depth; terms easy. For further information apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

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FOR SALE—A SUPERIOR FARM, 21 MILES from New-York, in New-Jersey; healthy locality; good buildings; well fruited and very productive. Apply to R. WILLIAMS, No. 132 Water-st., corner Pine, New-York.

FOR SALE—AT CLIFTON, STATEN ISLAND, fronting on the water, and within 19 minutes of the ferry, a beautiful country seat, with nearly two acres of land; will be sold low. Apply to

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FOR SALE—COUNTRY SEAT ON STATEN Island, two miles from Vanderbilt Landing; superior house and outbuildings, with 4 acres of land; will be sold cheap. Permits of A. JOURNEAY, No. 6 Pine-st.

COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE—AT THE Clow price of $5,000, near Stamford, Conn.; house, outbuildings and four acres of ground, fruit and shade trees. Apply to A. JOURNEAY, No. 6 Pine-st.

FARM AT PEEKSKILL, 33½ ACRES, for sale or exchange for house and lot in Jersey City or Hoboken. Inquire of H. MERRITT, No. 49 3d-av.

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FOR SALE—THREE-STORY HIGH-STOOP brick house, veranda, with extension, in East 20th-st., north side, near 2d-av.; modern improvements. OWNER, No. 62 Pine-st., Room No. 12.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—FURNISHED, ON 40th-st., opposite Columbia College, a four-story brown-stone front, first-class house and neighborhood. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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gentlemen who desired to have any measure to guarantee a Republican form of Government in the South, then as States, to vote for the bill as it came from the Senate.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, also sustained the Senate Amendment. It did not embrace all that he wished on the subject of reconstruction, but this was the last opportunity members would have at the present session to enact any law on the subject, and he felt important to have some affirmative action on the part of Congress with which to antagonize the policy established by the President of the United States. He should, therefore, vote to concur in the Senate amendment. An additional reason for speedy action was, that it was to be feared that a case might be got up and brought before the Supreme Court, and that Court might decide that the recognition by the President of the Governments of those States was binding.

Mr. BINGHAM rose to expose the animus with which gentlemen had assailed this bill as it came from the Senate. There was not one principle in the bill that had not at one time or another received the sanction of the Reconstruction Committee, and yet those gentlemen stand here and undertake to eat their own words, and ask others to eat up theirs. The main features of the first part of this bill, and everything in the fifth section, were voted for in that Committee, by an unanimous a vote as any measure ever before received at it. This bill, as amended, only differed from that in the fact, that the original bill did not decide the mode and manner of giving the elective franchise to the whole body of people. There was no member who opposed this bill, who would dare say that the principle of the amendments did not then meet their approbation. It was this: That whenever the said rebel States shall have framed a constitution of Government, in conformity with the Constitution of the United States in all respects, and shall have ratified the proposed Constitutional Amendment, known as article 14, &c., those States shall be declared entitled to representation in Congress, and Senators and Representatives shall be admitted therefrom on their taking the oath prescribed be law. This is incorporated in the bill now before the House, and it also provided for the securing of suffrage without regard to color, race, or previous condition of servitude, and excluding such as might be disfranchised by reason of rebellion or felony at common law. Would gentlemen say the Senate Amendment should be rejected? and would the Republican party go to the country, and cry in agony: "Good God, save us from ourselves." Could not Congress save themselves? The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. STEVENS) opposed the bill on the ground that it proposed a general amnesty. He (Mr. BINGHAM) meant no disrespect to the gentleman when he challenged that assertion. The bill conferred neither general nor partial amnesty on anybody at all. The opponents of the bill said they wished to protect the freedmen, but they had a very curious way of performing that duty. How the proposition would secure the protection of all persons until all the States lately in rebellion should be organized to the satisfaction of the Congress of the United States. As to conferring on the General of the Army the assignment of military commanders, this could not be done. The constitutional provision defining the powers of the President as Commander-in-Chief of the Army could not be repealed or set aside by Congressional enactment, and gentlemen need not attempt to dragoon him before the country into any course to show that the executive power was lodged anywhere else than where the Constitution placed it. He (Mr. BINGHAM) gave notice that if he must be dragooned, he would prefer that his right hand should forget its cunning, and his tongue cleave to the roof of his mouth than to prove false to his own conviction of duty and the respect which he owed to his constituents, by recording his vote against this bill. He would vote for this measure, not because it was the most perfect form of legislation, but because its defeat will be in effect to accomplish what the enemies of peace and of ordering pro ection to the Union men of the South.

Mr. FARNSWORTH said he should support the bill as it came from the Senate. It was very evident that they must either pass that or no other bill during the present session. He found in this bill the same provisions as in that reported from the Reconstruction Committee. The change of military assignments from the General of the army to the President of the United States, he did not regard as improper, for he knew that whatever details were made by the General of the army must be in subordination to the President. He repeated, there was no material change in the bill, that the loyal people of the Southern States, white and black, are calling, from day to day, for protection. The military commanders say there is no protection for life or property unless Congress clothe them with power to that end. Should we give them such protection? He could not find any fault with that part of the bill with regard to providing a means of establishing civil government. The succeeding Congress will have power to review the whole action of those States, every deed and vote. This bill presented a platform ten steps in advance of that upon which they went before the people last fall. Then they were asked to vote only a State constitution, Republican in form, and loyal Representatives and Senators. Now they extended impartial or universal suffrage. For these and other reasons he would vote for the bill.

Mr. SCHENCK concurred with the gentleman from Iowa. Mr. WILSON) that this bill did not contain all he desired, but it was a bill upon which they could agree if they could agree upon anything. It was the only bill which could possibly pass; he believed every motion to commit or amend it would have the tendency to defeat the bill, whether so intended or not, and prevent the House from coming to a direct vote. They had been told that in a short time, and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. STEVENS) had indicated that in two hours, they could have a bill passed which would reconcile all conflicting opinions. This was extraordinary information from that quarter; did not gentlemen remember the history of the Reconstruction Committee. On the 4th of December the gentleman from Pennsylvania, who was the Chairman on the part of the House, rose in his place and moved the continuance of that Committee. This looked like business, but the gentleman permitted the Committee to remain without being called together until the 13th of December, when he introduced a measure of his own, with a view to enable the rebel States to organize Governments and come back to the Union; but the bill was not taken up till the middle of January, and after debate it was, on the 28th of that month, recommitted to the Reconstruction Committee, which had never had a meeting. How soon after that the Committee were called together he could not say, but on the 6th of February that Committee reported the Military Bill now before the House, with modifications. In consideration of the approaching close of the session, and under apprehensions of the President's veto, whatever the House should do should be done to-day or to-morrow, or not at all. They were told that this was a plan got up by the President, and that those who voted for it would be disgraced. He asked the gentleman to understand that those who support this bill were not to be dumed asile from their sense of duty by any such denunciations, and would say that such denunciations were unworthy of any man standing on this floor, and calling himself a Republican.

Mr. GARFIELD spoke in support of the Senate amendments. He characterized the bill as a measure which had its hands on the throat of the rebel Governments, and took the very breath out of them; and which pointed the bayonet at the heart of every rebel in the South. It placed in the hands of Congress, utterly and absolutely, the work of reconstruction. Referring to the assertions of members who opposed the amendment, that it contained the principle of universal amnesty, he denied that, and said there was not a line in it which justified the assertion. He advocated the bill because it imposed duties upon the President of the United States. He thought that perhaps some impeachment hunters would have a chance of impeaching him if he did not perform those duties. At least they would have a chance of finding a new and plain and definite cause for impeachment, and could go forward to that work.

Mr. BLAINE stated the reasons why he should vote for the Senate amendment, and those reasons were as follows: First after the terrible struggle for existence through which the nation had passed every reasonable man would admit that measures ought to be adopted which would make the Republic secure for the future, and prominent among those measures was the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment: second, care should be taken that treason against the Government and against humanity should be stamped with the stigma of unmistakable dishonor. Third, the defeated people should be recreated as to put them on a train toward ultimate harmony with the Government. Fourth, the liberties of the people should be provided for on the largest attainable scale, and established on the broadest possible foundation. Fifth, all legislative measures should look to a time—the earliest possible time compatible with the public weal—when the rebel States shall be restored in full and equal participation in the Government. He thought the measure better than any other yet proposed for carrying out these views.

Mr. THAYER had four minutes allowed him to indicate the grounds on which he should vote for the Senate amendment. He believed the people would consider it as giving ample guarantees for the loyalty and obeyance of the South. It embraced every guarantee which it was possible to procure as a condition necessary for the reconstruction of loyal Governments in the rebel States, unless it was deemed necessary—as was contended for by Messrs. BOUTWELL and STEVENS—to reduce the mass of the common people to a state of slavery. He was opposed to that condition of the Louisiana Bill, and, God helping him, he would oppose it in any other bill, and submit his case to his constituents and the citizens of the country.

Mr. BLAINE demanded the previous question. On the motion to concur, the previous question was seconded in a vote of 73 to 64, and the main question ordered by a vote of 108 to 60.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, moved that the whole subject be laid on the table, which was negatived in a strict party vote of 108 to 40.

Mr. STEVENS took the floor, to close the debate, but yielded ten minutes to Mr. HOTCHKISS, to explain the reasons why he should vote against the Senate Amendment, which he said would be only substituting anarchy for the bogus Governments which President JOHNSON had established in the rebel States.

Mr. STEVENS also yielded ten minutes to Mr. BROOMALL, who spoke against concurrence in the Senate amendment as giving over the control of the rebel States to disloyal persons.

Mr. STEVENS also yielded to Mr. DONNELLY, who proceeded to state his exceptions to the Senate amendment.

While he was doing so the hour of 4:30 o'clock arrived, and the fall of the Speaker's hammer announced the hour of taking a recess. The House then took a recess till 7:30.

EVENING SESSION.

The House resumed its session at 7:30 o'clock. The attendance of members was on large as during the morning session, and the galleries were crowded with spectators.

THE TARIFF BILL.

Mr. HOOPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the Senate amendments to the Tariff Bill, with modifications, which were read as printed and read the special order in Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union for Thursday next, after the morning hour.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Mr. SYLVIS asked leave to offer a resolution, declaring that the statistical report prepared by ALEXANDER DELMAR, to be sent to the Paris Exposition, abounded in ignorant, careless and willful misrepresentations, and directing the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State to withhold from circulation such copies as were in their possession.

Objection was made and the resolution was not received.

THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT BILL.

The House resumed the consideration of the Senate amendment to the Military Bill, and Mr. DONNELLY proceeded to conclude his remarks in opposition to the Senate amendment. He took the ground that the military protection to be afforded by the amendment would be but temporary in its character, and would cease the moment civil Governments were created. Those civil Governments would be emphatically Governments of rebels, and this bill would therefore be the death-knell of the loyal element in the lately rebellious States.

Mr. LE BLOND, having had five minutes allowed him by Mr. STEVENS, said he accepted the crumb given to him, not by his master, but by the master. He proceeded to rebut Mr. SHELLABARGER'S argument last week on the Louisiana Bill, and declared that there was no war existing in this country, and therefore there was no excuse for this legislation.

Mr. STEVENS then yielded ten minutes to Mr. ELDRIDGE, who said he had never learned to value time before. The most important measures ever discussed in this country were to be discussed in allotments of ten minutes, of five minutes, and of two minutes. He would not stultify himself by attempting an argument against the bill, but would content himself by denouncing it as containing all the vices, all the infamies and all the mischiefs contained in any bill reported from the Joint Committee on Reconstruction. This bill itself was a declaration of war against the people of the South. It was a continuation of war from the time it became law. There would be war—actual, real, existing—that would involve the whole of the Southern people in one common ruin. Referring to Mr. BRANDEGEE'S remarks last week, that this bill took up the question where GRANT had left it off at Appomattox Court-house, he said that he should rather have declared that it took up the question where ROBERT E. LEE had left it off. The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. STEVENS) had been bold enough to declare that this was a concurrence in the revolution begun by the rebels, and which he hoped to perfect in making this a perfect Republic. This bill set out with a lie; every proposition in it was a lie, and it was itself one consummated and unmitigated lie from beginning to end. God had never made man or angel to whom he (ELDRIDGE) would intrust the liberties of a people without any constraint by a written instrument. This was a bill to abrogate the Constitution of the United States, to overthrow all government, and leave the rights, lives and liberties of the people to the superior will of a military despot. If he himself were a General in the army on whom such a duty were imposed, he would resign his commission rather than exercise such a power. If blood did not run again in this country, it would not be the fault of the dominant power in Congress. Derisive laughter from the Republican side of the House.]

Mr. STEVENS having but fifteen minutes of his time left, and that being the close of the debate, various propositions for an extension of the time for debate were made, and finally it was agreed on by unanimous consent, that the debate should go on uninterrupted this evening, and that the House should meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock, and proceed to vote immediately after the reading of the journal.

Mr. DELANO spoke in support of the amendment, basing his position on the lawlessness, violence, murder and carnage that prevailed at the South, and on the shameful rejection by the Southern States of the Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. HIGBY spoke against the Senate amendment, and appealed to the House not to let the Senate force down the throats of members that which they had already rejected. All the Senators on God's earth would not force down his throat what his conscience revolted against.

The Speaker reminded Mr. HIGBY that his language was hardly respectful to a coordinate branch of the Government.

Mr. HIGBY acknowledged that it was not, and said he would take it back, but still he repeated that he could not be compelled by the Senate, or any other body, to accept that which was loose in his judgment and conscience. He objected to the amendment because it would hazard the conditions and fortunes of the loyal men of the South, white and black, and to that he would never give his consent.

Mr. WOODBRIDGE sustained the Senate amendment, and gave the reasons for his position. It had become a necessity for Congress to do something to protect the loyal men of the South in their persons, property and rights; and it was on that ground of necessity that he based the right of Congress to pass this law. He had voted for the House bill, though he did not like it. He much preferred the Senate amendment, for no man could defend the constitutionality of taking from the President the right which he had to control the Army of the United States. He would vote for this bill now, because it was the only practical measure that could be passed at this session.

Mr. HIGE followed in an argument against the original bill and amendment. The object of the bill was simply to overthrow the State Governments of ten States of the Union, and to impose upon them the rule of a military officer without any limit or control. The question was now presented in a different form; it had undergone two very material changes; one striking out the authority given to the General of the Army and leaving it to the President of the United States; and that he admitted to be an improvement to the original bill.

Before he got to the second point, the limitation of fifteen minutes, on which the House had previously agreed, expired, and he appealed to the House for an extension of time.

The Speaker asked him how long he wanted?

He suggested twenty minutes, but other members, warned by past experience, suggested two hours.

Mr. HENDRICKS, however, objected to any further extension of time, and consequently Mr. HIGE had to yield the floor.

He was succeeded by Mr. DAVIS, who declared that this was one of the most eventful days in the history of the Republic. He admitted the duty of the Government in protecting the men from whom it claimed allegiance. If the people of the South would not have peace on terms of generosity, they should have it on compulsion. He did not believe that any measure of legislation could secure the loyalty of the people of the South. Disloyalty was a disease, and, like insanity, could only be cured by restraint. He believed that the passage of this bill was the best thing that Congress could do under the circumstances, and therefore he would vote for it.

Mr. LOAN opposed the Amendment, as not going far enough to suit his views. If there were no State Governments at the South, how could Congress invest the President with more ample powers to protect the Union people of the South than he now had under the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy. The bill contained no positive provision. It was merely negative in all its propositions. It allowed the rebel States to keep up a little confederacy among themselves, until they chose, from superior inducements, to take measures to secure representation in Congress. It was a retrograde movement in the interest of rebellion and treason, and he hoped it would get its quietus here.

Mr. BANKS stated the reason why he would vote to non-concur in the Senate amendment. It declared in the preamble that the Governments in the rebel States were not legal Governments. Nevertheless, they were *de facto* Governments and Governments of great power, controlled by the most astute politicians that this continent had known. They were recognized and were to be recognized. The second section declared that the military officers may recognize the local tribunals—that meant that they shall recognize them. The fifth section spoke of a class of men to be disfranchised because of their being felons at common law. Who made felons at common law? The Governments in those rebel States were the only power to do so.

Mr. BINGHAM interrupted Mr. BANKS to say that the rebel State Governments could not make any man a felon by statute, who was not a felon at common law.

Mr. BANKS demanded of Mr. BINGHAM to say who was to make felons at common law unless it were the governments of those States.

Mr. BINGHAM wanted to know whether Mr. BANKS pretended to say that he objected to the disfranchisement of any man for felony at common law.

Mr. BANKS replied not at all, but he objected to the recognition of these *de facto* Governments by this bill. One of the Provisional Governors appointed by the President had reported that he had commissioned 4,000 officers to administer the Government of that State. If that were true in one State, it was true in the others; so that there would be 40,000 officers administering those *de facto* Governments. And who were they? Every man of them a rebel. Would any man pretend to say that if loyal men had these 40,000 offices they could not organize loyal Governments; or would any one say that with 40,000 rebel officers they would not organize rebel Governments? He believed that if this bill passed, there would be no loyal voice heard in any of those States from Virginia to Texas.

Mr. HILL supported the Senate Amendment, and said that if there was anything necessary to show the good sense of the House, that it was impossible to obtain all that each desired, the history of this bill demonstrated the fact. He preferred this measure to having no measure at all. He was not in favor of a general disfranchisement of all who served in the late Confederacy, because that principle, if carried out, would not leave a corporal's guard to carry on a Government in the lately rebel States.

Mr. NIBLACK opposed the whole measure, though he preferred the Senate amendment to the original House Bill. He thought that Congress ought either to recognize the civil Governments in the Southern States or come square up to the work and remove them.

Mr. DAWES found himself differing from two of his colleagues, BOUTWELL and BANKS, and felt bound to vote to concur in the Senate amendment. Referring to the history of the Reconstruction Committee, he said it had died of theories, and its works had followed it. It had looked less to practical than to theoretical questions.

Mr. ROSS made the question of order whether Mr. DAWES had a right to abuse the Committee of Reconstruction.

The Speaker did not see that Mr. DAWES had transgressed the rules of debate.

Mr. DAWES declared he had no disposition to abuse the Reconstruction Committee on the principle of *de mortuus nil nisi bonum*. [Laughter.] They were now in the last days of this Congress, and there was no question but that they should either take this bill or none at all.

Mr. ROSS followed in a general denunciation of the principles of the bill, and in a warning as to the consequences that must inevitably follow such a violent departure from the Constitution and laws of the country. He denounced it as a most iniquitous proposition, that could only be brought with evil. From the loyal South, to whom it was proposed to produce, would have cause to pray devoutly, "Save us from our friends."

Mr. MCRUER said he had voted for the Military Bill in the House, but he had done so with many misgivings. He would vote for the Senate amendment not because it was better than nothing, but because he regarded it as a sound, sensible and practical measure, such a one as should have been passed in the early days of this Congress.

Mr. HENDERSON declared that he could not consistently vote to concur in the Senate amendment, because it allowed the disloyal men of the South to vote as well as the loyal. In his imagination he could see Gen. LEE and Gen. BEAUREGARD and Capts. SEMMES and QUANTRELL and such men setting in Convention that were to frame the institutions of those rebel States, and he would vote against this bill therefore with a hearty good will.

Mr. MILLER spoke in favor of the bill and in defence of the Reconstruction Committee. If the bill was sent to a Committee of Conference, that would be the end of it, for the President would pocket the bill if it was not sent to him ten clear days before the adjournment.

Mr. WILLIAMS contended against this view, holding that the President was bound to return the bill to the next Congress, but Mr. BINGHAM repudiated the idea of Mr. WILLIAMS, holding that the bill must be returned to the House in which it originated, and that the House of Representatives in the Fortieth Congress would be a totally different body from this House, which would expire on the 4th of March next.

Mr. FINCK made an argument against the whole theory of the bill, although he recognized the amendment as an improvement on the original measure. He utterly denied and repudiated the authority of Congress to establish military government in the States of the South and so deprive the people of that section of the right of trial by jury. This plan of reconstruction was the very last that should be presented in a free country.

Mr. DARLING did not feel like returning to his constituents without declaring on the floor of the House that Congress had at last reached a measure that would bring peace and good government in the lately rebel States, and give protection to the loyal people there. He regarded the measure as magnanimous, as charitable and as just to all.

Mr. LAWRENCE then said he would cast his vote reluctantly for the amendment. It contained provisions which he favored, but it left reconstruction practically under rebel control.

Mr. TAYLOR, of Tennessee, declared himself conscientiously opposed both to the original bill and to the Finck amendment, still he knew that Congress would pass either one of them. He feared that if the matter was sent to a Conference Committee, a measure worse than either would be reported. He should therefore vote for the Senate amendment, which was less repugnant to him, or he would not vote at all.

Mr. ARNELL expressed his horror of the proposition before the House, characterizing it as a monstrous proposition. It was the iron cage of the Inquisition which would gradually close in and destroy its victims. There was no remedy for the evil except to render the rebel element at the South hopelessly powerless, but this amendment would, in his opinion, give that element recognition and strength, and would be the death warrant of the Union men of the South.

Mr. WILLIAMS expressed an emphatic negative of the Senate amendment. It involved an entire departure from the House bill, which it professed to amend. It was a departure from the Louisiana Bill, and it gave into the hands of the rebels a power of which they had been deprived. They had been told that they must take this bill or nothing. Now his part, he preferred to take nothing. He preferred to leave the work to the next Congress. He was in no hurry about it. Better that the rebel States should remain outside of the Union for a generation, than that they should come back now, when they could form political alliances.

Mr. GRINNELL expressed the fear that if there was a concurrence in the Senate Amendment, they would, with the filibustering that might be expected when it came back with the President's veto, find themselves in the position of the man who went to hear the famous preacher, WHITFIELD, and who rolled on the ground in ecstacy at the preacher's eloquence. He found on getting up that it was not WHITFIELD who he had heard at all, and he said he had soiled his coat for nothing. So he feared if he voted for this amendment he would find that he had soiled his coat for nothing.

The House at 11:45 adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Daring Assault and Robbery in Boston.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 18.

The dwelling house of Mr. SAMUEL APPLETON, a grandson of DANIEL WEBSTER, was entered last night by two burglars. The noise made by them aroused Mr. APPLETON, who proceeded to the room from whence it appeared to come. He opened the door and attempted to enter, but fell over a box upon the floor, and as he was falling, the pistol he had in his hand went off, and as it was a single-barreled firearm, he was without any means of defence, and the two men whom he saw in the room as he opened the door, at once made for him, seized him and beat him until he was senseless. Before Mr. APPLETON had made his appearance, the thieves had collected and put in a pile all the silver plate in the house. A considerable quantity of the plate had formerly belonged to DANIEL WEBSTER, and embraced many articles that had been presented to him at different times by friends. The encounter with Mr. APPLETON frightened the thieves, and they left without taking their booty with them. They succeeded, however, in securing two $1,000 Treasury notes. Detectives are on the track of the thieves. Mr. APPLETON was not seriously injured.

Gen. Sheridan at Columbus, Ohio.

COLUMBUS, Monday, Feb. 18.

Gen. PHIL. SHERIDAN arrived here to-day accompanied by a Joint Committee of the Ohio General Assembly, by whose invitation he came. He will be received by the Senate at 2 o'clock P. M., and by the House immediately afterward. The Governor gives a reception to-night at the Executive rooms in the Capitol in honor of Gen. SHERIDAN.

Fenian Application for New Trial.

TORONTO, Monday, Feb. 18.

The application for a new trial in the case of KENNEDY, the convicted Fenian, was refused. It was made on the ground of alleged informality in summoning the jurors.

Suicide of an Army Officer at Richmond.

RICHMOND, Monday, Feb. 18.

Lieut. J. S. NEWBERG, of the Twelfth Infantry, committed suicide this morning at the Ballard House. He was under military arrest at the time.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

A TRAGIC AFFAIR UP TOWN.

A Husband and Wife Wantonly Murdered—A Son also Dangerously Wounded—Arrest of the Murderer—Infidelity of a Wife the Cause of the Difficulty.

A brutal and unprovoked murder was committed last night in the Twentieth Ward, when an aged husband was instantly killed, and his wife and son dangerously, if not mortally, wounded. It appears that the husband of a German woman named MARGARETTA LANGHEISER, who resides on the first floor of a small frame shanty, No. 225 West Thirty-eighth-street, near Tenth-avenue, was seized with illness some three or four weeks ago, and was taken to Bellevue Hospital for treatment. During his absence MARGARETTA formed the acquaintance of another German named WILLIAM SNOBEL, 42 years of age, a shoemaker, who worked at Yonkers. SNOBEL was in the habit of visiting the wife two or three times a week, but his visits were not noticed by the other inmates, as MARGARETTA was always ready with an excuse.

Yesterday Mr. LANGHEISER left the Hospital and returned home, but was surprised to find his lawful place occupied by the Yonkers shoemaker, when he attempted to dislodge the intruder, SNOBEL, however, refused to vacate his lodging, and deliberately turned the husband from his own door, who was still too weak to maintain his rights.

In this emergency LANGHEISER sought redress of his landlord, JACOB HENRY, a German, 63 years of age, who occupied the upper story of the shanty. JACOB became much incensed on hearing the facts related above, and went down-stairs about 9 o'clock, to settle the difficulty, being accompanied by his wife ELIZABETH, 45 years of age, and a son, NICHOLAS, aged 30 years. Mr. HENRY found SNOBEL in MARGARETTA'S room, and ordered him out of the premises, saying that he was determined to put a stop to such disgraceful proceedings.

SNOBEL declined to obey the demand and threatened violence to any one who dared molest him. Some high words then passed between him and the landlord, when SNOBEL became so enraged that he seized a long shoemaker's knife and attacked Mr. HENRY, his wife and son, striking the husband a powerful blow on the left breast, the long twelve-inch blade entering over the region of the heart, piercing that organ and penetrating the right lung, causing almost instant death. The infuriated murderer next assaulted the wife and inflicted a severe wound in the left lung, just below the heart, which will it is feared cause death. The son NICHOLAS also received a similar wound, but the weapon striking a rib saved his life. He also received a severe wound in the leg.

The alarm was speedily given, and SNOBEL was arrested by Officer MCCULLOUGH, of the Twentieth Precinct Police, and locked up in the Thirty-fifth-street Station-house to await the action of the Coroner.

The woman MARGARETTA has been detained as an important witness, and Capt. HEDGES gave the necessary notice to secure the presence of all the witnesses at the inquest to-day.

FIRES LAST NIGHT.

Large Fire in Broadway—Loss about $23,000.

At 9:30 o'clock last night a fire was discovered under the stairs in the rear of the window-shade and curtain manufactory of COHEN & BROTHERS, located on the first floor of No. 429 Broadway. The fire ran rapidly up the stairway to the third floor, and before it was extinguished the entire stock was completely burned out, and the rest of the building, which was occupied by E. D. CORDTS as the Tontine Hotel. The loss of Messrs. COHEN & BRO. amounts to about $12,000. Insured. The loss of Mr. CORDTS amounts to about $7,000. Insured for $25,000. The basement was occupied by L. A. LINCOLN as a restaurant; damage by water about $2,000. A portion of the first floor, entrance No. 47 Howard-street, was occupied by SCOTT & MCDOWELNEY as a bar-room; loss about $200. The building is owned by A. J. DITTENHOEFFER, and is damaged to the extent of $3,000; insured. Considerable confusion was created among the guests at the hotel on the outbreak of the fire. Most of them succeeded in getting their property out in safety. The stock of millinery goods belonging to STEINFELDER, HAHN & Co., on the first floor of No. 427, was somewhat damaged by water. A man named JOHN WALL was arrested on a charge of stealing. A woman, who resided in the burning building, was confined of a full-grown infant while the flames were in progress.

Attempt at Arson.

At 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire was discovered in the basement of No. 343 Greenwich-street, occupied by C. BISHOP & Co., dealers in liquors. From subsequent examination it appeared that the flames derived their origin from some wood saturated with benzine, between some casks. The fire was extinguished with slight damage. Under another barrel a pile of wood and benzine, which had evidently been prepared for the flames, was discovered. The floor of the basement was also saturated with benzine. The case is under investigation by the Fire Marshal.

Fire in Avenue B.

At 12:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire broke out in the fifth floor of a tenement house, No. 60 Avenue B., in the room occupied by Mrs. MICHAELS. The occupants were all out, and the flames were discovered by neighbors and firemen. Damage sustained by Mrs. MICHAELS $100. On the fourth floor GEO. HOCH lost $50 in furniture by water, insured for $400 in the Pacific. DANIEL GUGGISBERG owns the building, damage $200; insured for $8,000 in the Baltic.

AQUATIC ANIMALS OF THE AMAZON.

Lecture of Prof. Louis Agassiz.

The fourth of the lectures of Prof. AGASSIZ, under the auspices of the Association for the Advancement of Science and Art, was delivered last night in the Hall of the Cooper Institute, the subject being the "Aquatic Animals of the Amazon."

On being introduced to the audience, which was large and appreciative, Prof. AGASSIZ began by saying that the population of any fresh water basin presented many points of interest in its variety, and the many comparisons that can be made between it and the marine and terrestrial populations, and that the Amazon, above all other rivers, presented a variety of animals that was wonderful even to him. Before, however, going on to give the results of his investigations, Professor said that in his recent tour, he indulged in a long and interesting résumé of animals generally in reference to their structure and classes. He illustrated the progress of modern science by saying that formerly animals were classified according to their condition, but now a more rational method of classification by structure had been reached. Adhering to this rule, he instanced as comprising all animals the radiates, the mollusks, the articulates and the vertebrates. He entered somewhat at length into the peculiarities of each of these, which he illustrated by diagrams, showing that however dissimilar in form, in each the manner of structure was the same. As in the vertebrate he showed that whether man or quadruped, bird or fish, the manner of structure was the same. In the Amazon there were no radiates, two classes of mollusks, two of the articulates and a variety of the vertebrates, including one representative of the porpoise, family, the sea-cow, which was the only thing of its class to be found in the Amazon. The lecturer next proceeded to explain what he meant by classes, going minutely into the distinctions of naturalists. Of the Mollusks, he said, there were three classes, and said of the bivalve shells that the Amazon had many varieties, and that some had the peculiar feature that they bore a striking resemblance to marine shells, seeming, as it were, a reminiscence of the sea far inland. He said he would give no decided opinion how this work of art happened, and after instancing several theories by which it might be accounted for, contented himself with saying that the world has many mysteries which science has not yet fathomed. Coming to fishes proper, he gave the several classes—the trout, the perch, the shark, the sturgeon and the lamper eel, and saying that to one or the other of these all the fishes in existence belong, however much they may differ; he went on to detail the peculiarities of each class, again illustrating by diagrams the points of difference between the classes as to anal and dorsal fins, ventrals and other points of external as well as internal structure, were with the powerful aid of the diagrams brought within the grasp of the most uncultivated understanding. Beginning at this point to particularize the fishes of the Amazon, he said that the river had not one in common with any other fresh water basin; that different parts of the Amazon had fishes peculiar to itself, and as an instance of the seeming variety that exists in the Amazon Basin, he gave the result of his examination of a small contiguous lake, or pool of only a few hundred square yards, which showed two hundred different kinds of fishes, which is three times as many as the Mississippi River can boast. In the Amazon itself he found two thousand different kinds, and when he began his investigation of the river, only one hundred and fifty were known to exist, and he said that in proportion as he found the larger number, the difference between them seemed to grow. He then proceeded to a general classification of the fishes of the Amazon, which he did under the general heads of the gorioidents, the sepredos, the callichthys, the characins and the chromids, the two latter representing respectively the trout and the perch, embracing the great bulk of the fishes of the Amazon. Of the first class he instanced one that might appropriately be called a very peculiar fish, inasmuch as it has the power of walking or creeping on dry land, one having been found five miles from the water, and the Professor himself kept one of them out of water half a day, and on putting it back into its natural element (?) it showed as much of life as if it had never been removed. Moreover, it is an agile fish, worming its way up the inclined plane of the trunk of some old tree that had fallen, and twisting about among the branches, until finally a single shot has brought down a bird and a fish together.

Prof. AGASSIZ then declared that the AMAZON, for a river of turbid water and of so high a temperature—the average being 80°—nourishes an extraordinary number of delicious fishes for table use, the characins being especially noted in this respect, and saying that of the chubs, carps and others of that family which so crowd the northern lakes, the same can be found in the Amazon, he closed by referring to the innumerable variety in form and color which characterizes the fishes of this great river.

The lecture comprised a vast fund of natural history compressed within a small compass, and the audience, which had frequently interrupted the speaker with applause, left the hall with many expressions of gratification.

House Savings Banks.

A meeting of gentlemen interested in this matter was held at the Masonic Hall in Thirteenth-street last evening.

Hon. HORACE GREELEY presided. Mr. GREELEY said that unfortunately our people, more than those of any other nation, believed that fortunes could be acquired without working for them; that, in fact, something could come out of nothing. He assured his hearers that money, as a general thing, could only be acquired by hard work and by thrift. Our mechanics were too prone to spend their earnings instead of saving. The House Savings Bank was an institution which offered all the advantages of an ordinary savings bank and something more.

Mr. THEODORE E. TOMLINSON then explained the object of the Association. He said that suppose Mr. Smith desires a house to be built for him in Eighty-first-street, for instance. The Company would build the house, and after estimating its actual cost, would sell the same to Mr. Smith, Mr. Smith paying 7 per cent. interest on the value of the house, the taxes, water rates, &c., and a small additional sum per annum, which sum would be placed to his credit, and considered as part payment for the house. Thus a tenant could, in the course of a few years, become the owner of his domicil, without being inconvenienced by being called on to pay for all at once, or in large installments.

Mr. GREELEY, in answer to a question, stated that a somewhat similar plan was organized sixteen years ago, and had worked exceedingly well.

Several gentlemen promised to cooperate with the Association, and soon afterward the meeting adjourned.

Spectrum Analysis—Lecture by Prof. Henry Draper.

An interesting and instructive scientific lecture was delivered last evening at the Rutgers Institute, by Prof. HENRY DRAPER. Aided by illustrations afforded by images thrown upon a screen by means of the magnesium light, the lecturer succeeded in elucidating the novel and somewhat intricate subject of the "Spectrum Analysis" as a method of investigating the character and composition of the heavenly bodies in the clearest manner. He first showed that certain substances when burned in a white flame, impart to it a peculiar color. Thus, strontia and lime give a red tinge; barya and copper a green one. But the eye unaided is unable to determine with certainty the nature of the substance causing any peculiar tinge observed in flame, since the same color is given by substances entirely different. The spectrum formed by passing a ray of light through a glass prism affords the means of determining the character of the substance by the combustion of which that light is produced. White-hot metal gives the purest spectrum—that in which the colors from red to violet shade into each other without interruption. The solar spectrum, however, formed by a ray of light from the sun, has an immense number of dark lines crossing it. Most elementary substances have characteristic spectra; some exhibiting several colors, others but one—soda, for instance, gives yellow bars. When the pure light from a white hot metal passes through a soda flame, dark bars are seen crossing the yellow of the spectrum. He argued, therefore, that the dark bars seen in the solar spectrum prove that the solar light proceeds from an incandescent central mass, and passes through an atmosphere of flame, in which exist a very great number of volatized elementary substances, similar to those composing the earth. Of the latter, sixty-eight are known to chemistry, and of that number thirteen have been identified as existing in the sun. The same general truth has been verified as to the fixed stars, showing that matter, like force, in the same throughout the universe. The nebular hypothesis of LA PLACE receives a confirmation from the revelations of the spectroscope. The unresolvable nebulæ seen in the heavens afford a spectrum without fixed lines, from which it follows that they are built in less passeless, homogeneous state which LA PLACE supposes to have been the primary condition of the universe of matter. In like manner the nature of temporary stars has been disclosed. These have appeared from time to time, and after a duration at greater or less extent, have vanished, or as known now has suddenly blazed up to an extraordinary brightness and then disappeared. Until the year 1864 no satisfactory explanation had been given of these phenomena, when a body of this character appearing for a while; time in the Corona Borealis, it was discovered by an observation of its spectrum that the unusual light was occasioned by the combustion of an immense volume of hydrogen gas envelopping the star. The lecturer closed with an eloquent speculation upon the probability of the earths in the Universe being the abode of plants, animals and men, arguing from the fact, now made known, that the heavenly bodies are composed of similar materials to those of this earth, that the like conditions of light, heat and elementary substances must produce everywhere the like results of vegetable and animal life. The lecture closed amid demonstrations of applause.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

FENIANISM REDIVIVUS.—The earnest conversations of the crowds around the bulletin boards and the gathering of knots of men here and there in the neighborhood of Printing House Square indicate pretty well either the birth of a LOW sensation or the resuscitation of an old one. This time it is Fenianism boom again. How long this infusion of electricity will keep the corpse in motion depends entirely upon the further news from Ireland, most anxiously waited for by these poor hopers against hope. A mass meeting is to be held on Wednesday, we learn, in Union-square, for what purpose is not clearly defined, whether to give the finishing touch to the efforts of English infantry or to sit down in masterly inactivity, and weep or be merry when the news comes. A committee of the Brotherhood waited yesterday afternoon on Mayor HOFFMAN, and asked him to preside at this meeting. He, of course, refused, as might safely have been presumed by even the most sanguine committee men. A national Congress of the Fenian Brotherhood is called for Wednesday of next week. It is stated that a union of the Roberts and Stephen's factions is about to take place, and a single course of action determined upon.

THE COAL CONSUMERS' "BENEFIT" COMPANY.—Last evening a meeting of the stockholders of this Company was held at Runk's Hotel, No. 274 Grand-street, for the purpose of inquiring into the condition of the Company's affairs, Mr. SCHRODER in the chair. It appeared from statements made in the course of a protracted discussion that the Company had been started with a capital of $500,000, and that 50,000 shares had been issued, that $135,000 had been paid on the Company's mine in Pennsylvania purchased at $300,000, leaving $165,000 due upon it, exclusive of $12,000 liabilities, and no dividends paid to the shareholders, and it was now desirable to know who had the benefit of this outlay. The Directors had shut up shop and entirely suspended the business of the concern, on the ground, as alleged, that the cost of the conveyance of coal to New-York was so great that they could not furnish it at the stipulated figure of $6 per ton. A Committee of five stockholders was appointed to thoroughly investigate all the transactions connected with the Company, and bring the Directors to book on behalf of the stockholders, who are nearly 2,000 in number.

THE FOOT-BRIDGE OVER BROADWAY.—Considerable progress has been made with the preliminary operations for this structure. The excavations for the foundations of the piers at the four corners of Fulton-street and Broadway are completed. The foundations are ten feet deep and six feet square. The stone bases will be six feet and the brick piers four feet, and these will be capped with granite fifteen inches thick. In the course of the excavation the workmen have come across the manholes of the main sewers which are now exposed to public view, and the contractors cannot see how they are to cross by seriously impedes the traffic in spite of the efforts of the police to make the multitude move on. Considerable time will be occupied in diverting these sewers to make way for the piers and in rebuilding them. This, it is supposed, will occupy another week, and before no decided opinion how this work is to be completed by the Architectural Iron Company, will then at once be fixed, and it is expected that the bridge will be finished and opened to the public in about a fortnight from this time.

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